

United States District Court  
For the Northern District of California

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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

LEONARD A. HASKINS,  
  
Plaintiff,  
  
v.  
  
ROBERT AYERS JR., et al.,  
  
Defendants.

No. C 08-02226 CW (PR)  
  
ORDER DIRECTING PLAINTIFF TO  
PROVIDE CURRENT ADDRESS  
NECESSARY TO LOCATE DEFENDANT  
J. RICHARD MENDIUS, M.D.

Plaintiff, a state prisoner, filed the present pro se prisoner complaint under 42 U.S.C. § 1983. The Court issued an Order of Service.

Service has been ineffective on Defendant J. Richard Mendius, M.D. The Court has been informed that the litigation coordinator at San Quentin State Prison has been unable to locate Defendant Mendius at his last known address.

Because Plaintiff is proceeding in forma pauperis (IFP), he is responsible for providing the Court with current addresses for all Defendants so that service can be accomplished. See Walker v.

1 Sumner, 14 F.3d 1415, 1422 (9th Cir. 1994); Sellers v. United  
2 States, 902 F.2d 598, 603 (7th Cir. 1990).

3 Pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 4(m), if a complaint is not served  
4 within 120 days from the filing of the complaint, it may be  
5 dismissed without prejudice for failure of service. When advised  
6 of a problem accomplishing service, a pro se litigant proceeding  
7 IFP must "attempt to remedy any apparent defects of which [he] has  
8 knowledge." Rochon v. Dawson, 828 F.2d 1107, 1110 (5th Cir. 1987).  
9 If the marshal is unable to effectuate service through no fault of  
10 his own, e.g., because the plaintiff failed to provide sufficient  
11 information or because the defendant is not where the plaintiff  
12 claims, and the plaintiff is informed, the plaintiff must seek to  
13 remedy the situation or face dismissal. See Walker, 14 F.3d at  
14 1421-22 (prisoner failed to show cause why claims against prison  
15 official should not be dismissed under Rule 4(m) because prisoner  
16 did not prove that he provided marshal with sufficient information  
17 to serve official or that he requested that official be served);  
18 see also Del Raine v. Williford, 32 F.3d 1024, 1029-31 (7th Cir.  
19 1994) (prisoner failed to show good cause for failing to effect  
20 timely service on defendant because plaintiff did not provide  
21 marshal with copy of amended complaint until after more than 120  
22 days after it was filed).

23 Service on Defendant Mendius has been attempted and has  
24 failed.

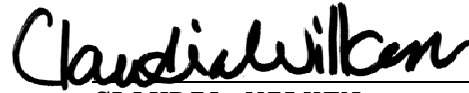
25 IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT within thirty (30) days of the date  
26 of this Order, Plaintiff must provide the Court with a current  
27 address, necessary to locate Defendant Mendius. Failure to do so

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1 shall result in the dismissal of all claims against Defendant  
2 Mendius. If Plaintiff provides the Court with a current address,  
3 service shall again be attempted. If service fails a second time,  
4 all claims against Defendant Mendius shall be dismissed.

5 IT IS SO ORDERED.

6 Dated: 2/9/10



7 CLAUDIA WILKEN  
8 UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE  
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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

9 I, the undersigned, hereby certify that I am an employee in the Office of the Clerk, U.S. District  
10 Court, Northern District of California.

11 That on February 9, 2010, I SERVED a true and correct copy(ies) of the attached, by placing said  
12 copy(ies) in a postage paid envelope addressed to the person(s) hereinafter listed, by depositing said  
13 envelope in the U.S. Mail, or by placing said copy(ies) into an inter-office delivery receptacle located  
14 in the Clerk's office.

15 Leonard A. Haskins B96040  
16 San Quentin State Prison  
17 San Quentin, CA 94964

Dated: February 9, 2010

Richard W. Wieking, Clerk  
By: Sheilah Cahill, Deputy Clerk