1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 9 FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 10 ALFRED R. KIDD, No. C 11-04260 EJD (PR) 11 Plaintiff, ORDER DIRECTING PLAINTIFF TO 12 PROVIDE COURT WITH MORE INFORMATION FOR UNSERVED VS. DEFENDANT; DIRECTING CLERK 13 TO ISSUE NOTICE OF LAWSUIT TO 14 B. POWELL, et al., DEFENDANT LOPEZ 15 Defendants. 16 17 18 Plaintiff, a California inmate, filed the instant civil rights action in <u>pro se</u> pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1983 against Salinas Valley State Prison ("SVSP") officials. The Court 19 20 ordered service of Plaintiff's complaint upon the named defendants. (See Docket No. 18.) The following defendants have not been served. 21 22 **DISCUSSION** 23 **Insufficient Location Information** 24 Α. The Waiver of Service of Summons and Complaint for Defendant J. Martin that 25 26 was sent to SVSP, where Plaintiff indicated he was located, was returned undelivered on 27 March 6, 2012, with the following remark: "Personnel records for the institution do not reflect employment of a person by this name." (Docket No. 19.) Accordingly, Martin has 28 Order Directing P to locate Ds; Issue Notice of Lawsuit 1

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not been served.

Although a plaintiff who is incarcerated and proceeding <u>in forma pauperis</u> may rely on service by the Marshal, such plaintiff "may not remain silent and do nothing to effectuate such service"; rather, "[a]t a minimum, a plaintiff should request service upon the appropriate defendant and attempt to remedy any apparent defects of which [he] has knowledge." <u>Rochon v. Dawson</u>, 828 F.2d 1107, 1110 (5th Cir. 1987). Here, Plaintiff's complaint has been pending for over 120 days, and thus, absent a showing of "good cause," is subject to dismissal without prejudice. <u>See</u> Fed. R. Civ. P. 4(m).

Plaintiff has not provided sufficient information to allow the Marshal to locate and serve Defendant J. Martin, and consequently Plaintiff must remedy the situation or face dismissal of his claims against these defendants without prejudice. See Walker v. Sumner, 14 F.3d 1415, 1421-22 (9th Cir. 1994)(holding prisoner failed to show cause why prison official should not be dismissed under Rule 4(m) where prisoner failed to show he had provided Marshal with sufficient information to effectuate service). Accordingly, Plaintiff must provide the Court with these Defendant's accurate current location such that the Marshal is able to effect service.

B. <u>Defendant Officer Lopez</u>

Plaintiff's complaint included a claim against Defendant Officer Lopez for failing to provide medical attention for the injuries he incurred after the alleged use of excessive force by other Defendants on August 18, 2009. (Compl. ¶ 25.) Liberally construed, this claim is cognizable as deliberate indifference to Plaintiff's serious medical needs. Accordingly, Defendant Lopez should be served with the complaint.

CONCLUSION

For the reasons stated above, the Court orders as follows:

1. Plaintiff must file notice and provide the Court with the accurate current location of Defendant J. Martin such that the Marshal is able to effect service. **If Plaintiff** fails to provide the Court with an accurate current location for this Defendant

within thirty (30) days of the date this order is filed, Plaintiff's claims against Martin will be dismissed without prejudice pursuant to Rule 4(m) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

- 2. The Clerk of the Court shall mail a Notice of Lawsuit and Request for Waiver of Service of Summons, two copies of the Waiver of Service of Summons, a copy of the complaint, all attachments thereto, a copy of the Court's Order of Service (Docket No. 18), and a copy of this order upon **Defendant Officer Lopez** at **Salinas Valley State Prison**, (P.O. Box 1020, Soledad, CA 93960-1020).
- 3. Defendant Lopez shall file a motion for summary judgment or other dispositive motion with respect to the claims in the complaint found to be cognizable, and briefing shall proceed thereafter, in accordance with the schedule and instructions set forth in the Court's Order of Service, filed February 3, 2012, (Docket No. 18).

DATED: ____3/30/2012

EDWARD J. DAVILA United States District Judge

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

FOR THE

NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

ALFRED R. KIDD,		Case Number: CV11-04260 EJD
	Plaintiff,	CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE
v.		
B. POWELL,	, et al.,	
	Defendants.	
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