1 2 3 4 5 6 7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 8 9 SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 10 11 LEWAYNE LEE MILLER, Civil No. 10-1902 MMA (NLS) CDCR #J-64930, 12 Plaintiff, 13 14 MOTION TO DISMISS PURSUANT VS. TO WYATT v. TERHUNE 15 S. RUTLEDGE; D. RUSH; 16 J. PARTIDA; R. LOPEZ, 17 Defendants. 18 19 LeWayne Lee Miller ("Plaintiff"), a state prisoner currently incarcerated at Kern Valley 20 State Prison located in Delano, California, and proceeding in pro se, has filed a civil rights 21 Complaint pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1983. 22 Defendants have filed a Motion to Dismiss the Complaint pursuant to FED.R.CIV.P. 12(b). 23 Defendants argue Plaintiff has failed to exhaust administrative remedies prior to suit as required 24 by 42 U.S.C. § 1997e(a). "In deciding a motion to dismiss for a failure to exhaust nonjudicial 25 remedies, the court may look beyond the pleadings and decide disputed issues of fact." Wyatt 26 v. Terhune, 315 F.3d 1108, 1119-20 (9th Cir. 2003) (citing Ritza v. Int'l Longshoremen's & 27 Warehousemen's Union, 837 F.2d 365, 369 (9th Cir. 1988) (per curiam)). If the court looks 28 beyond the pleadings when deciding a motion to dismiss for failure to exhaust, "a procedure

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closely analogous to summary judgment," the Court "must assure that [the plaintiff] has fair notice of his opportunity to develop a record." *Id.* at 1120 n.14; *see also Marella v. Terhune*, 568 F.3d 1024, 1028 (9th Cir. 2009) (remanding case to district court where court failed to 'effectively give [plaintiff] fair notice that he should have submitted evidence regarding exhaustion of administrative remedies").

Accordingly, Plaintiff is hereby provided with notice that Defendants have asked the Court to dismiss his case because he failed to exhaust administrative remedies pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1997e(a). Plaintiff is further advised of his opportunity to include in his Opposition to Defendants' Motion whatever arguments and documentary evidence he may have to show that he did, in fact, exhaust all administrative remedies as were available to him prior to filing suit. *See Wyatt*, 315 F.3d at 1119-21; *Marella*, 568 F.3d at 1028.

Plaintiff is further advised he may file an Opposition to Defendants' Motion to Dismiss and serve it upon Defendants' counsel of record no later than **April 11, 2011.**

Defendants may file a Reply to Plaintiff's Opposition, and serve it upon Plaintiff no later than **April 18, 2011.**

At that time, the Court will consider the matter fully briefed as submitted on the papers and will thereafter issue a written Order. No appearances by the parties are required. *See* S.D. Cal. CivLR 7.1.d.1.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED: March 21, 2011

Hon. Michael M. Anello

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United States District Judge