

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLORADO

Civil Action No. 08-cv-00008-LTB-KMT

DONALD CARL MCCRANEY,

Plaintiff,

v.

ARAPAHOE COUNTY,

Defendant.

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**REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION OF MAGISTRATE JUDGE**

**Kathleen M. Tafoya, Magistrate Judge**

This matter comes before the court *sua sponte* on Plaintiff Donald Carl McCraney's failure to respond to the court's orders to show cause. On May 7, 2008, the Clerk of Court mailed to the plaintiff a memorandum referring Defendant's motion to dismiss to the magistrate judge. [Doc. No. 24.] The minute order was mailed to the plaintiff at his address of record at the Arapahoe County Detention Facility. On May 12, 2008, the mail was returned as undeliverable. [Doc. No. 25.] On December 23, 2008, this court entered an order for the plaintiff to show cause in writing on or before January 15, 2009, why the Complaint and this action should not be dismissed for failure to keep the court informed of his current address in violation of D.C.COLO.LCivR 10.1M, and for failure to prosecute under Fed. R. Civ. P. 41(b) and D.C.COLO.LCivR 10.1M. [Doc. No. 26.] Plaintiff failed to respond to the Order to Show Cause. On January 5, 2009, the mail was returned as undeliverable. [Doc. No. 27.]

Plaintiff's last filing in this case was received March 17, 2008. [Doc. No. 21.]

Subsequently, the court has not received a notice of change of address from Plaintiff as required by D.C.COLO.LCivR 10.1M, nor has the court had any other contact with him. It appears Plaintiff has lost contact with the court, lost interest in his case, or both.

Accordingly, it is

**RECOMMENDED** that the Prisoner Complaint and the action be dismissed without prejudice for Plaintiff's failure to respond to a court order, for failure to update his address with the court, and for failure to prosecute this action.

#### **ADVISEMENT TO THE PARTIES**

Within ten days after service of a copy of the Recommendation, any party may serve and file written objections to the Magistrate Judge's proposed findings and recommendations with the Clerk of the United States District Court for the District of Colorado. 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1); Fed. R. Civ. P. 72(b); *In re Griego*, 64 F.3d 580, 583 (10th Cir. 1995). A general objection that does not put the District Court on notice of the basis for the objection will not preserve the objection for *de novo* review. “[A] party's objections to the magistrate judge's report and recommendation must be both timely and specific to preserve an issue for de novo review by the district court or for appellate review.” *United States v. One Parcel of Real Property Known As 2121 East 30th Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma*, 73 F.3d 1057, 1060 (10th Cir. 1996). Failure to make timely objections may bar *de novo* review by the District Judge of the Magistrate Judge's proposed findings and recommendations and will result in a waiver of the right to appeal from a judgment of the district court based on the proposed findings and recommendations of the

magistrate judge. *See Vega v. Suthers*, 195 F.3d 573, 579-80 (10th Cir. 1999) (District Court's decision to review a Magistrate Judge's recommendation *de novo* despite the lack of an objection does not preclude application of the "firm waiver rule"); *One Parcel of Real Property*, 73 F.3d at 1059-60 (a party's objections to the Magistrate Judge's report and recommendation must be both timely and specific to preserve an issue for *de novo* review by the District Court or for appellate review); *International Surplus Lines Insurance Co. v. Wyoming Coal Refining Systems, Inc.*, 52 F.3d 901, 904 (10th Cir. 1995) (by failing to object to certain portions of the Magistrate Judge's order, cross-claimant had waived its right to appeal those portions of the ruling); *Ayala v. United States*, 980 F.2d 1342, 1352 (10th Cir. 1992) (by their failure to file objections, plaintiffs waived their right to appeal the Magistrate Judge's ruling). *But see, Morales-Fernandez v. INS*, 418 F.3d 1116, 1122 (10th Cir. 2005) (firm waiver rule does not apply when the interests of justice require review).

Dated this 20th of January, 2009.

**BY THE COURT:**



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Kathleen M. Tafoya  
United States Magistrate Judge