

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLORADO
Magistrate Judge Kathleen M. Tafoya

Civil Action No. 08-cv-01856-REB-KMT

JAMES JOSEPH SCHNEIDER,

Plaintiff,

v.

ELAINE COOPER, L.P.C.,
DAVID NEWCOMB, C.A.C., III,
LORI LAMM-SWANSON, L.P.C., and
VICKI RODGERS,

Defendants.

ORDER

This matter is before the court on “Plaintiff’s Motion to Amend the Amended Prisoner Complaint” (Doc. No. 40, filed March 24, 2009). The Federal Rules of Civil Procedure provide that a party may amend a pleading by leave of court, and that leave shall be given freely when justice so requires. Fed. R. Civ. P. 15(a). Although the federal rules permit and require liberal construction and amendment of pleadings, the rules do not grant the parties unlimited rights of amendment. A motion to amend may be denied on the grounds of undue delay, bad faith or dilatory motive on the part of the movant, repeated failure to cure deficiencies by amendments previously allowed, undue prejudice to the opposing party by virtue of allowance of the amendment, or futility of amendment. *Foman v. Davis*, 371 U.S. 178, 182 (1962).

When seeking leave of the court to amend a complaint, the motion to amend must detail the proposed amendments and the reasons why such amendments are necessary. In addition, the

plaintiff must attach the proposed amended complaint to the motion. The proposed amended complaint must stand alone; it must contain all of the plaintiff's claims. Here, the plaintiff does not detail why the exhibits he wishes to include with his complaint are necessary, nor does he attach a proposed amended complaint to his motion. As a result, it is impossible to determine if the proposed amendment is permissible. Therefore, it is

ORDERED that Plaintiff's motion (Doc. No. 40) is DENIED without prejudice.

Dated this 24th day of March, 2009.

BY THE COURT:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kathleen M. Tafoya". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "K".

Kathleen M. Tafoya
United States Magistrate Judge