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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

L. RUTHER,

Plaintiff,

v.

BARRY GASH, *et al.*,

Defendants.


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Civil Action No. 17-1553 (UNA)

**MEMORANDUM OPINION**

This matter comes before the Court upon review of plaintiff's application for leave to proceed *in forma pauperis* and *pro se* complaint. It appears that plaintiff has filed, and the Court has dismissed, a substantially similar complaint against these same defendants. *See Ruther v. Gash*, No. 17-cv-1405 (D.D.C. Aug. 14, 2017). The Court will dismiss this civil action without prejudice as duplicative.

An Order is issued separately.

  
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United States District Judge

DATE: 8/22/17