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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS
EASTERN DIVISION

MELVIN EWING,	)	
	)	
Plaintiff,	)	
	)	
v.	)	Case No. 16 C 11251
	)	
THOMAS DART,	)	
	)	
Defendant.	)	

MEMORANDUM ORDER

Melvin Ewing ("Ewing") has filed a pro se "Complaint Under the Civil Rights Act, Title 42 Section 1983" ("Section 1983"),[1] accompanying that Complaint with two other Clerk's-Office-supplied forms: an In Forma Pauperis Application ("Application") and a Motion for Attorney Representation ("Motion"). This memorandum order is issued sua sponte to deal with some threshold problems posed by Ewing's filings.

To begin with, Ewing's Complaint alleges that he was injured during his stay at the Cook County Department of Corrections ("County Jail") -- more specifically, while he was in custody there on November 27 of this year. But the printout of transactions in his trust fund account at the County Jail, supplied as an adjunct to the Application, reveals that he was discharged from custody on December 8, while the Complaint and the other two forms were not received in the Clerk's Office until December 9.

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[1] Although pro se plaintiff Ewing has checked the wrong line in the Clerk's-Office-supplied Complaint form (this is not, as he has designated there, a Bivens action), this Court will disregard that mistake and treat the Ewing allegations as a claim of constitutional violation potentially actionable under Section 1983.