IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS

DAVID A. CROWE, Plaintiff, vs. THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COURT,

Case No. 16-cv-045-MJR

MEMORANDUM AND ORDER

Defendant.

REAGAN, Chief District Judge:

On January 14, 2016, Plaintiff filed a complaint (Doc. 1) pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1983. In the complaint, Plaintiff sued Defendant because Defendant denied him compassionate release to attend his mother's funeral. (Doc. 1). The complaint did not survive threshold review under 28 U.S.C. § 1915A; Plaintiff attempted to bring his claims pursuant to the FTCA, and the Court found that because Plaintiff was attempting to sue state officials, the FTCA did not apply. (Doc. 7). Accordingly, the Court dismissed the complaint on February 12, 2016. (Doc. 7). The order specifically directed Plaintiff to file an amended complaint no later than March 7, 2016. (Doc. 8). The deadline has now passed. Plaintiff has not filed an amended complaint. He has also failed to request an extension of the deadline for doing so.

As a result, this case is **DISMISSED with prejudice** for failure to state a claim upon which relief may be granted and for failure to comply with an order of this Court. FED. R. CIV. P. 41(b); *see generally Ladien v. Astrachan*, 128 F.3d 1051 (7th Cir. 1997);

Johnson v. Kamminga, 34 F.3d 466 (7th Cir. 1994). This dismissal shall count as one of Plaintiff's three allotted "strikes" within the meaning of 28 U.S.C. § 1915(g).

If Plaintiff wishes to appeal this Order, he may file a notice of appeal with this Court within thirty days of the entry of judgment. FED. R. APP. 4(A)(4). If Plaintiff does choose to appeal, he will be liable for the \$505.00 appellate filing fee irrespective of the outcome of the appeal. *See* FED. R. APP. 3(e); 28 U.S.C. § 1915(e)(2); *Ammons v. Gerlinger*, 547 F.3d 724, 725-26 (7th Cir. 2008); *Sloan v. Lesza*, 181 F.3d 857, 858-59 (7th Cir. 1999); *Lucien v. Jockish*, 133 F.3d 464, 467 (7th Cir. 1998). If the appeal is found to be nonmeritorious, Plaintiff may also incur another "strike." A timely motion filed pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 59(e) may toll the 30-day appeal deadline.¹ FED. R. APP. 4(a)(4).

The Clerk's Office is **DIRECTED** to close this case and enter judgment accordingly.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED: June 20, 2016

<u>s/ MICHAEL J. REAGAN</u> United States District Judge

¹ A Rule 59(e) motion to alter or amend a judgment must be filed no later than 28 days after the entry of the judgment. FED. R. CIV. P. 59(e).