

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF INDIANA**

GUILLERMO RIVERA,	)	
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Plaintiff,	)	
vs.	)	2:11-cv-142-JMS-DKL
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WARDEN LOCKETT, et al.,	)	
	)	
Defendants.	)	

**Entry and Order Dismissing Action**

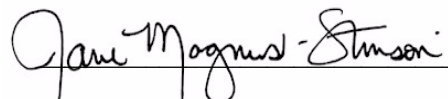
The plaintiff seeks injunctive relief concerning the conditions of his confinement at a federal prison within this District. Based on his filing of April 5, 2012, however, he is no longer confined in this District, but has been transferred to a prison in Coleman, Florida.

The plaintiff's transfer renders this action moot. *Church of Scientology of Cal. v. United States*, 506 U.S. 9, 12 (1992) ("if an event occurs while a case is pending . . . that makes it impossible for the court to grant 'any effectual relief whatever' to a prevailing party, the [case] must be dismissed.")(quoting *Mills v. Green*, 159 U.S. 651, 653 (1895)). "A case is moot when issues presented are no longer 'live' or the parties lack a legally cognizable interest in the outcome." *Erie v. Pap's A.M.*, 529 U.S. 277, 287 (2000) (internal citations omitted). *Lehn v. Holmes*, 364 F.3d 862, 871 (7th Cir. 2004)("[W]hen a prisoner who seeks injunctive relief for a condition specific to a particular prison is transferred out of that prison, the need for relief . . . become[s] moot."); *Higgason v. Farley*, 83 F.3d 862, 871 (7th Cir. 1996) (same).

An action which is moot must be dismissed for lack of jurisdiction. *Board of Educ. of Downers Grove Grade School Dist. No. 58 v. Steven L.*, 89 F.3d 464, 467 (7th Cir. 1996), *cert. denied*, 117 S. Ct. 1556 (1997). Dismissal of the action for lack of jurisdiction is compelled by these circumstances, and judgment consistent with this Entry shall now issue.

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

Date: 05/02/2012



Hon. Jane Magnus-Stinson, Judge  
United States District Court  
Southern District of Indiana

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