

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA**

**PURNELL WILLIAMS**

**CIVIL ACTION**

**VERSUS**

**NO. 23-2851**

**DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES,  
STATE OF LOUISIANA, ET AL.**

**SECTION: D (2)**

**ORDER AND REASONS**

The Court, having considered Plaintiff Purnell Williams's Amended Complaint,<sup>1</sup> the record, the applicable law, the Report and Recommendation of the United States Magistrate Judge,<sup>2</sup> and the failure of the Plaintiff to timely file any objection to the Report and Recommendation,<sup>3</sup> hereby approves the Report and Recommendation and adopts it as its opinion in this matter. In doing so, the Court notes that it has construed Plaintiff Purnell Williams's *pro se* pleading liberally.<sup>4</sup>

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that Plaintiff's 42 U.S.C. § 1983 and 18 U.S.C. § 1341 claims alleged against Defendants Cynthia Allen, Lana Woodard, Robert Trahan, and Daletria Bentley be **DISMISSED with prejudice** as malicious, frivolous, and/or for failure to state a claim for which relief can be granted pursuant 28 U.S.C. §§ 1915 and 1915A.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that Plaintiff's common law fraud, negligence, and conspiracy to commit fraud claims against all Defendants be **DISMISSED**

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<sup>1</sup> R. Doc. 5.

<sup>2</sup> R. Doc. 8.

<sup>3</sup> Objections were due October 30, 2023. Because Plaintiff is proceeding *pro se*, the Court has allowed additional time for objections. None have been filed as of the date of this Order.

<sup>4</sup> See *Coleman v. United States*, 912 F.3d 824, 828 (5th Cir. 2019).

**without prejudice** because the Court declines to exercise supplemental jurisdiction under 28 U.S.C. § 1367(c).

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that Plaintiff's claims against the Louisiana Department of Social Services Child Support Enforcement Section be **DISMISSED without prejudice** in light of Plaintiff's indication that he no longer seeks to pursue claims against this Defendant.

New Orleans, Louisiana, November 15, 2023.

  
WENDY B. VITTER  
United States District Judge