

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
 EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN  
 SOUTHERN DIVISION

LAMONT HEARD,

Plaintiff,

No. 17-13904

v.

Honorable Nancy G. Edmunds

YARNICE STRANGE,  
 KYLE SHANNON,  
 ADAM DOUGLAS,  
 CEDRIC GRIFFEY,  
 SCOTT SCHOOLEY, and  
 JEFFREY OASTERHOF,

Defendants.

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**OPINION AND ORDER ACCEPTING AND ADOPTING THE MAGISTRATE  
 JUDGE’S MAY 10, 2019 REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION [60]**

Currently before the Court is the Magistrate Judge’s May 10, 2019 report and recommendation. (Dkt. 60.) The Court is fully advised in the premises and has reviewed the record and the pleadings. No party has filed objections. “[T]he failure to object to the magistrate judge’s report[] releases the Court from its duty to independently review the matter.” *Hall v. Rawal*, No. 09-10933, 2012 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 120541, at \*2 (E.D. Mich. Aug. 24, 2012) (citing *Thomas v. Arn*, 474 U.S. 140, 149 (1985)). The Court nevertheless agrees with the Magistrate Judge’s recommendation. The Court therefore ACCEPTS and ADOPTS the Magistrate Judge’s report and recommendation (Dkt. 60).

Accordingly, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Defendants’ motion for partial summary judgment [43] is GRANTED IN PART.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED Plaintiff's motion for summary judgment [46] is DENIED.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Defendants Douglas and Oasterhof are DISMISSED from this action.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Plaintiff's claims based on his housing unit transfer (January 2017 grievance) are DISMISSED. Plaintiff's claims against Defendants Griffey, Schooley, Shannon, and Strange based on his prison transfer (July 2017 grievance) remain.

SO ORDERED.

s/Nancy G. Edmunds  
Nancy G. Edmunds  
United States District Judge

Dated: June 4, 2019

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing document was served upon counsel of record on June 4, 2019, by electronic and/or ordinary mail.

s/Lisa Bartlett  
Case Manager