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## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF MONTANA GREAT FALLS DIVISION

BENJAMIN KARL SMITH,

Plaintiff,

CV-18-08-GF-BMM-JTJ

v.

MR. HENSON, TERRI SEFALO, WARDEN FLETCHER, WARDEN FENDER, D. J. GODFREY, ASST. WARDEN POWELL, CHAPLIN DELELLA, and MR. MADRID,

Defendants.

ORDER ADOPTING MAGISTRATE
JUDGE'S FINDINGS AND
RECOMMENDATIONS

Plaintiff Benjamin Smith filed a Complaint alleging violations of his First, Eighth, and Fourteenth Amendment rights and the Religious Land Use and Institutionalized Persons Act of 2000 (RLUIPA), 42 U.S.C. § 2000cc et seq. (Doc.

2.) United States Magistrate Judge John Johnston issued an Order and Findings and Recommendations in this matter on January 26, 2018. (Doc. 4.)

Judge Johnston recommended that the Court dismiss Smith's claims against Defendants Terri Sefalo and Warden Fletcher. (Doc. 4 at 4.) Defendants Sefalo and Fletcher are employees of Montana State Prison. (Doc. 2 at 4, 7.) Smith's claims stem from his alleged inability to attend Jumah Services while incarcerated at Crossroads Correctional Center. (Doc. 2 at 8.)

No party has filed objections. The Court has reviewed Judge Johnston's Findings and Recommendations for clear error. *McDonnell Douglas Corp. v. Commodore Bus. Mach., Inc.*, 656 F.2d 1309, 1313 (9th Cir. 1981). The Court finds no error in Judge Johnston's Findings and Recommendations, and adopts them in full.

## I. ORDER

Accordingly, **IT IS ORDERED** that Magistrate Judge Johnston's Findings and Recommendations (Doc. 4) is **ADOPTED IN FULL**. Defendants Fletcher and Sefalo are **DISMISSED**.

DATED this 13th day of March, 2018.

**Brian Morris** 

United States District Court Judge