

B. Motion for Status and Copies

In Plaintiff's Motion, he states that he mailed summons forms to the court on August 25, 2013, and he asks whether the court has received them. (Filing No. [29](#).) To date, the court has not received Plaintiff's summons forms. As the court explained in its Memorandum and Order dated August 22, 2013, Plaintiff has 120 days from August 22, 2013, to complete service of process on a defendant. (See Filing No. [20](#).) Failure to do so may result in dismissal of this matter without further notice as to such defendant. Out of an abundance of caution, the court will direct the clerk's office to send to Plaintiff an additional five summons forms and five USM-285 forms for service on Defendants.

In Plaintiff's request for copies, Plaintiff asks for a "Print out of this case history on everything filed in this case." (Filing No. [29](#).) The statutory right to proceed in forma pauperis does not include the right to receive copies of documents without payment. [28 U.S.C. § 1915](#); see also [Haymes v. Smith, 73 F.R.D. 572, 574 \(W.D.N.Y. 1976\)](#) ("The generally recognized rule is that a court may not authorize the commitment of federal funds to underwrite the necessary expenditures of an indigent civil litigant's action.") (citing [Tyler v. Lark, 472 F.2d 1077, 1078 \(8th Cir. 1973\)](#), other citations omitted). The court will direct the clerk's office to respond to Plaintiff's request for copies by informing him of the fees associated with providing him copies of every document filed in this case to date.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. Plaintiff's Motion for Appointment of Counsel (Filing No. [28](#)) is denied.
2. Plaintiff's Motion for Status and Copies (Filing No. [29](#)) is granted in part and denied in part.

3. Plaintiff's request for status of this case is granted to the extent it is consistent with this Memorandum and Order. Because it appears that Plaintiff may have lost his summons forms, the court directs the clerk's office to mail to Plaintiff five summons forms and five USM-285 forms for service on Defendants, along with a copy of the court's Memorandum and Order dated August 22, 2013 (Filing No. [20](#) (providing instructions on how to obtain service of process on Defendants)).

4. Plaintiff's request for free copies of all documents filed in this case is denied. The court directs the clerk's office to respond to Plaintiff's request for copies by informing him of the fees associated with providing him copies of every document filed in this case to date.

DATED this 9th day of October, 2013.

BY THE COURT:

Richard G. Kopf

Senior United States District Judge

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