

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF NEVADA

LARRY JAQUESS,

Plaintiff,

vs.
US,

Defendants.

2:16-cv-01710-APG-VCF

ORDER

Before the Court are Plaintiff’s Motion for Appointment of Counsel (ECF No. 55) and Motion for Recreation Materials (ECF No. 58). The Court ordered Plaintiff to file an amended complaint by February 6, 2017. (ECF No. 49). To date, no amended complaint has been filed. The Motion for Recreation Materials (ECF No. 58) is premature.

A litigant in a civil rights action does not have a Sixth Amendment right to appointed counsel. *Storseth v. Spellman*, 654 F.2d 1349, 13253 (9th Cir. 1981).

The court may appoint counsel under 28 U.S.C. § 1915 only under exceptional circumstances. *Terrell v. Brewer*, 935 F.2d 1015, 1017 (9th Cir. 1991). “A finding of exceptional circumstances requires an evaluation of both the likelihood of success on the merits and the ability of the petitioner to articulate his claims pro se in light of the complexity of the legal issues involved. Neither of these factors is dispositive and both must be viewed together before reaching a decision.” *Id.* (citations and internal quotation marks omitted). The court has reviewed the filings in this case. Here, the Court does not find exceptional circumstances that warrant the appointment of counsel.

