

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF NEVADA**

JAMES PRESTRIDGE,)	3:13-CV-0525-MMD (VPC)
)	
Plaintiff,)	<u>MINUTES OF THE COURT</u>
)	
vs.)	March 6, 2015
)	
RENEE BAKER, et al.,)	
)	
Defendants.)	
_____)	

PRESENT: THE HONORABLE VALERIE P. COOKE, U.S. MAGISTRATE JUDGE

DEPUTY CLERK: LISA MANN REPORTER: NONE APPEARING

COUNSEL FOR PLAINTIFF(S): NONE APPEARING

COUNSEL FOR DEFENDANT(S): NONE APPEARING

MINUTE ORDER IN CHAMBERS:

Defendants' motion to vacate the court's order (#13) and provide the parties three weeks to settle the matter before reissuing (#27) is **DENIED**.

In April 2014, the court deferred its decision on the plaintiff's application to proceed *in forma pauperis* (#3) for ninety days to allow the parties to attempt to settle this case. At the end of the ninety-day stay the Office of the Attorney General filed a status report advising the case had not settled (#12). Thereafter, the court granted the plaintiff's request to proceed *in forma pauperis* (#13).

The court originally defers the decision on requests for *in forma pauperis* because it has no authority to waive the filing fee once it has been assessed. The parties are encouraged to continue to negotiate a settlement and the court is willing to set a settlement conference upon stipulation of the parties.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

LANCE S. WILSON, CLERK

By: _____ /s/
Deputy Clerk