

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

KEITH POOLER,

Plaintiff,

-against-

8:16-MC-0049 (LEK/DJS)

HON. CATHERINE SCHAWWE, *et al.*,

Defendants.

DECISION AND ORDER

I. INTRODUCTION

This matter comes before the Court following a Report-Recommendation filed on May 4, 2017, by the Honorable Daniel J. Stewart, U.S. Magistrate Judge, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(b) and Local Rule 72.3. Dkt. No. 10 (“Report-Recommendation”). Plaintiff timely filed objections. Dkt. No. 11 (“Objections”).

II. LEGAL STANDARD

Within fourteen days after a party has been served with a copy of a magistrate judge’s report-recommendation, the party “may serve and file specific, written objections to the proposed findings and recommendations.” Fed. R. Civ. P. 72(b); L.R. 72.1(c). If no objections are made, or if an objection is general, conclusory, perfunctory, or a mere reiteration of an argument made to the magistrate judge, a district court need review that aspect of a report-recommendation only for clear error. Barnes v. Prack, No. 11-CV-857, 2013 WL 1121353, at *1 (N.D.N.Y. Mar. 18, 2013); Farid v. Bouey, 554 F. Supp. 2d 301, 306-07, 306 n.2 (N.D.N.Y. 2008), overruled on other grounds by Widomski v. State Univ. of N.Y. (SUNY) at Orange, 748 F.3d 471 (2d Cir. 2014); see also Machicote v. Ercole, No. 06-CV-13320, 2011 WL 3809920, at *2 (S.D.N.Y.

Aug. 25, 2011) (“[E]ven a pro se party’s objections to a Report and Recommendation must be specific and clearly aimed at particular findings in the magistrate’s proposal, such that no party be allowed a second bite at the apple by simply relitigating a prior argument.”). “A [district] judge . . . may accept, reject, or modify, in whole or in part, the findings or recommendations made by the magistrate judge.” 28 U.S.C. § 636(b).

III. DISCUSSION

Plaintiff filed a letter with the Court that purports to object to the Report-Recommendation, but it does not set forth any arguments against Judge Stewart’s findings and recommendations. Objs. Instead, it simply informs the Court that Plaintiff is filing a “Letter of Objection.” *Id.* Thus, the Court has reviewed the Report-Recommendation for clear error and has found none.

IV. CONCLUSION

Accordingly, it is hereby:

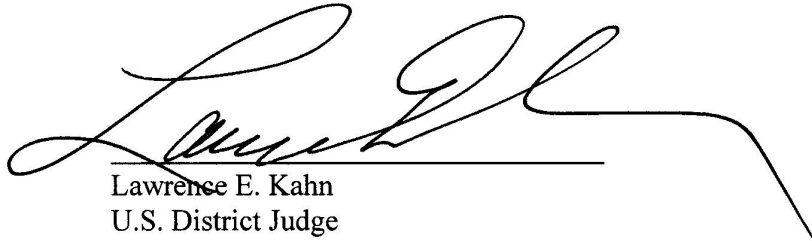
ORDERED, that the Report-Recommendation (Dkt. No. 10) is **APPROVED and ADOPTED in its entirety**; and it is further

ORDERED, that Plaintiff’s motion for writ of mandamus (Dkt. No. 1) is **DISMISSED** for lack of subject matter jurisdiction; and it is further

ORDERED, that the Clerk of the Court serve a copy of this Order on all parties in accordance with the Local Rules.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED: July 28, 2017
Albany, New York



Lawrence E. Kahn
U.S. District Judge