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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

OMAR OCASIO,

Plaintiff,

9:08-cv-51 (GLS/DRH)

V.

F. DELUKE, C.O., Great Meadow Correctional Facility; P. VANGUILDER, Deputy of Security, Great Meadow Correctional Facility; RICHARD ROY, Inspector General; D. BEEBE, C.O; S. HAMEL, C.O.; T. LESPIER, Sgt.; C. MURRY, Sgt.; R. ARMSTRONG, Lt.; S. ROWE, Captain; JULIE DANIELS, Inmate Grievance Coordinator; M. HARRIS, Nurse; RICHARD A. DUNNING, as Administrator of the Estate of Elaine Dunning; GREAT MEADOW CORRECTIONAL FACILITY, Medical Grievance Department; LUCIEN LECLAIRE, JR.; EDWARD MCSWEENEY; and DONALD SELSKY,

Defendants.

APPEARANCES: OF COUNSEL:

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MEMORANDUM-DECISION AND ORDER

Pro se plaintiff Omar Ocasio, a former inmate at Great Meadow
Correctional Facility, brings this action under 42 U.S.C. § 1983, alleging
violations of his First, Eighth, and Fourteenth Amendment rights. (See
Compl., Dkt. No. 1.) On September 1, 2009, defendants moved for
summary judgment on Ocasio's claims. (Dkt. No. 129.) In a ReportRecommendation and Order (R&R) filed September 3, 2010, Magistrate
Judge David R. Homer recommended that defendants' motion be granted
and that Ocasio's claims be dismissed.¹ (Dkt. No. 158.) Pending are
Ocasio's objections to the R&R. (Dkt. No. 162.) For the reasons that
follow, the R&R is adopted in its entirety.

Before entering final judgment, this court routinely reviews all report and recommendation orders in cases it has referred to a magistrate judge. If a party has objected to specific elements of the magistrate judge's findings and recommendations, this court reviews those findings and

¹The Clerk is directed to append the R&R to this decision, and familiarity therewith is presumed.

recommendations de novo. *See Almonte v. N.Y. State Div. of Parole*, No. 04-cv-484, 2006 WL 149049, at *6-7 (N.D.N.Y. Jan. 18, 2006). In those cases where no party has filed an objection, or only a vague or general objection has been filed, this court reviews the findings and recommendations of a magistrate judge for clear error. *See id.*

Without specifying the legal or factual basis for his objections, Ocasio generally objects to Judge Homer's R&R. (See Objections at 2-4, Dkt. No. 162.) In light of Ocasio's nonspecific and vague objections, the court has reviewed the R&R for clear error and finds none. Accordingly, the court adopts Judge Homer's findings and recommendations and grants defendants' motion for summary judgment on Ocasio's claims.

WHEREFORE, for the foregoing reasons, it is hereby

ORDERED that Magistrate Judge David R. Homer's Report-Recommendation and Order (Dkt. No. 158) is ADOPTED and defendants' summary judgment motion (Dkt. No. 129) is GRANTED; and it is further

ORDERED that Ocasio's complaint is **DISMISSED** in its entirety; and it is further

ORDERED that the Clerk close this case and provide a copy of this

Memorandum-Decision and Order to the parties by regular and certified

mail.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Date: March 8, 2011

Albany, New York