

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA  
NORTHERN DIVISION  
No. 2:17-CV-59-D


HERBERT CLAUDE ELEY, )  
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 Plaintiff, )  
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 v. )  
 )  
 STEVE HARDERS, et al., )  
 )  
 Defendants. )

**ORDER**

On November 28, 2017, plaintiff, appearing pro se, applied to proceed in forma pauperis pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915 [D.E. 1]. On December 13, 2017, the court referred plaintiff's motion to proceed in forma pauperis to Magistrate Judge Numbers [D.E. 4]. On December 20, 2017, Judge Numbers issued a Memorandum and Recommendation and recommended that plaintiff's motion to proceed in forma pauperis be denied [D.E. 5]. On December 28, 2017, plaintiff paid the court's filing fee [court receipt GRN001705], and the court filed plaintiff's complaint [D.E. 6] and issued the summonses prepared by plaintiff [D.E. 7, 8].

Plaintiff's motion to proceed in forma pauperis is DISMISSED as moot.

SO ORDERED. This 11 day of January 2018.

  
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JAMES C. DEVER III  
Chief United States District Judge