UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO

Thomas J. Savoca,) CASE NO. 1:19 CV 3000
Plaintiff,) JUDGE JOHN R. ADAMS
v.)
United States Department of Justice, et al.,) <u>MEMORANDUM OF OPINION</u>) <u>AND ORDER</u>
Defendants.)

This is another *pro se* case filed by plaintiff Thomas Savoca in which he complains he did not receive all discovery in his federal criminal cases, and seeking to compel discovery. (*See* Doc. No. 1.) He filed this action against the United States Department of Justice, the Executive Office of the United States Attorney, and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. This Court has already dismissed a prior civil action Savoca filed seeking to compel "exculpatory evidence" in connection with a federal criminal case under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). *See Savoca v. Wilson, et al.*, No. 1: 19 CV 14 (N.D. Ohio June 4, 2019). The Court found that Savoca's allegations did not support a plausible claim under FOIA or otherwise, and that his action was merely attempt to reargue his criminal case.

The Court finds that this action must likewise be summarily dismissed. Federal district courts

are required under 28 U.S.C. § 1915A to screen all complaints in which a prisoner seeks redress from governmental entities, and to dismiss before service any such action that the court determines is frivolous or malicious, fails to state a claim on which relief may be granted, or seeks monetary relief from a defendant who is immune from such relief. *See Hill v. Lappin*, 630 F.3d 468, 470-71 (6th Cir. 2010).

Savoca's allegations do not plausibly suggest he has any valid federal civil claim against any defendant to compel evidence in connection with his closed criminal cases. *See Lillard v. Shelby Cty. Bd. of Educ.*, 76 F.3d 716, 726 (6th Cir. 1996) (a court is not required to accept summary allegations or unwarranted conclusions in determining whether a complaint states a claim for relief).

Conclusion

Accordingly, this action is dismissed pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915A. Savoca's motions to proceed *in forma pauperis* (Doc. No. 2) and for authorization to review evidence (Doc. No. 4) are both denied as moot. The Court further certifies, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a)(3), that an appeal from this decision could not be taken in good faith.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Date: 6/16/2020

<u>/s/ John R. Adams</u> JOHN R. ADAMS UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE