IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

RICHARD A. DOTTERER : CIVIL ACTION

Plaintiff, :

:

v. : NO. 13-06903

:

THOMAS PINTO, ET AL., :

Defendants. :

<u>ORDER</u>

AND NOW, this 10th day of February, 2014, upon consideration of Defendants Borough of Catasauqua, Kim Moyer, and Thomas Pinto's motion to dismiss (Doc. No. 8), Defendants Borough of North Catasauqua, Douglas F. Kish, and Rebecca Saborsky's motion to dismiss (Doc. No. 9) and all responses thereto, it is hereby **ORDERED** that the defendants' motions (Doc. No. 8 and 9) are **GRANTED IN PART AND DENIED IN PART** as follows:

- 1. All references to the Eighth Amendment as a basis for relief are **STRIKEN** from the plaintiff's complaint; and
- 2. Defendants' motions to dismiss as to the remaining claims are **DENIED**.

BY THE COURT:

/s/Lawrence F. Stengel
LAWRENCE F. STENGEL, J.

¹ The defendants have not moved to strike, only to dismiss. Given the organization of the complaint, no single count can be dismissed since none are brought under the Eighth Amendment alone. For this reason, I am striking those parts pertaining to the Eighth Amendment *sua sponte*, since it is clear that it is legally inapplicable. <u>See</u> Fed. R. Civ. P. 12(f).