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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA

LEO MCCLAM,)
Plaintiff,) CIVIL ACTION NO. 3:08-2027-TLW-JRM)
v.) DEPORT AND DECOMMENDATION
MDS IANICE NI N. purse sued in her) REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION
MRS. JANICE NLN, nurse sued in her own and private capacity,)))
Defendant.)) _)

This action has been filed by the Plaintiff, <u>pro se</u>, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1983. Plaintiff, who at the time this action was filed was civilly committed at the Columbia Care Center, alleges a violation of his constitutional rights by the named Defendant. The Defendant filed a motion for summary judgment on October 20, 2008, pursuant to Fed.R.Civ.P., Rule 56. By order of this court filed October 21, 2008, pursuant to <u>Roseboro v. Garrison</u>, 528 F.2d 309 (4th Cir. 1975), the Plaintiff was advised of the summary judgment procedure and the possible consequences if he failed to respond adequately. However, the Court's order was returned on October 24, 2008 marked "return to sender", with no explanation for this return. After contacting the Columbia Care Center, where Plaintiff was housed, to inquire about Plaintiff's status, the Court was informed that Plaintiff was released from their care on July 25, 2008.

The Court notes that when Plaintiff filed this action, he was specifically instructed as follows:

You are ordered to always keep the Clerk of Court advised <u>in writing</u>...if your address changes for any reason, so as to assure that orders or other matters that specify deadlines for you to meet will be received by you. If as a result of your

failure to comply with this order, you fail to file something you are required to file within a deadline set by a District Judge or a Magistrate Judge, <u>your case may be</u>

<u>dismissed for violating this order</u>. Therefore, if you have a change of address before this case has ended, you must comply with this order by immediately advising the Clerk of Court in writing of such change of address....**Your failure to do so will not**

be excused by the Court. (emphasis added)

See Order filed July 2, 2008.

Plaintiff has failed to comply with this order, and as a result neither the Court nor the Defendant

have any means of contacting him concerning his case.

Based on the foregoing, and the previous instructions and specific warning given to the

Plaintiff in the Court's order of July 2, 2008, it is recommended that this action be dismissed, with

prejudice, in accordance with Rule 41(b), Fed.R.Civ.P. The Clerk is directed to send this Report

and Recommendation to Plaintiff at his last known address.

If the Plaintiff notifies the Court within the time set forth for filing objections to this Report

and Recommendation that he wishes to continue with this case and provides a current address, the

Clerk is directed to vacate this Report and Recommendation and return this file to the undersigned

for further handling. If, however, no objections are filed, the Clerk shall forward this Report and

Recommendation to the District Judge for disposition.

The parties are also referred to the Notice Page attached hereto.

Joseph R. McCrorey

United States Magistrate Judge

Columbia, South Carolina

October 31, 2008

Notice of Right to File Objections to Report and Recommendation

The parties are advised that they may file specific written objections to this Report and Recommendation with the District Court Judge. Objections must specifically identify the portions of the Report and Recommendation to which objections are made and the basis for such objections. In the absence of a timely filed objection, a district court need not conduct a de novo review, but instead must "only satisfy itself that there is no clear error on the face of the record in order to accept the recommendation." *Diamond v. Colonial Life & Acc. Ins. Co.*, 416 F.3d 310 (4th Cir. 2005).

Specific written objections must be filed within ten (10) days of the date of service of this Report and Recommendation. 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1); Fed. R. Civ. P. 72(b). The time calculation of this ten-day period excludes weekends and holidays and provides for an additional three (3) days for filing by mail. Fed. R. Civ. P. 6(a) & (e). Filing by mail pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 5 may be accomplished by mailing objections to:

Larry W. Propes, Clerk
United States District Court
901 Richland Street
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Failure to timely file specific written objections to this Report and Recommendation will result in waiver of the right to appeal from a judgment of the District Court based upon such Recommendation. 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1); Thomas v. Arn, 474 U.S. 140 (1985); United States v. Schronce, 727 F.2d 91 (4th Cir. 1984); Wright v. Collins, 766 F.2d 841 (4th Cir. 1985).