

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

Harry Eugene Reese, Sr.,)	C/A No.: 3:16-3491-JFA-SVH
)	
Plaintiff,)	
)	
vs.)	
)	
Dr. Robert Bank; Mr. John Magill; Ms.)	ORDER
Maria Marin; Ms. Denise Morgan; Ms.)	
Vicki Brown; Ms. Eleanor Odom; and)	
South Carolina Department of Mental)	
Health,,)	
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Defendants.)	
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This matter comes before the court on a review of the docket in this case that reveals no evidence of plaintiff having effected proper service on the defendants. The summonses were issued on February 2, 2017, and they expired on May 3, 2017. [ECF Nos. 23–24]. Rule 4(m) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure provides, in pertinent part, as follows:

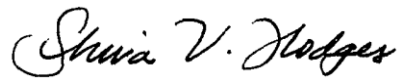
If a defendant is not served within 120 days after the complaint is filed, the court—on motion or on its own after notice to the plaintiff—must dismiss the action without prejudice against that defendant or order that service be made within a specified time.

Fed. R. Civ. P. 4(m).

Plaintiff is hereby placed on notice that unless good cause is shown to the court by May 18, 2017, for his failure to effect service of the summonses and complaint on the defendants, plaintiff's action will be recommended for dismissal without prejudice. To the extent that service has been effected, plaintiff is reminded of Fed. R. Civ. P. 4(l),

which requires proof of service must be made to the court. Plaintiff's failure to respond in writing will result in a recommendation of dismissal of the defendants without prejudice.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Shiva V. Hodges". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

May 4, 2017
Columbia, South Carolina

Shiva V. Hodges
United States Magistrate Judge