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

Bobby Mosley,)
) C.A. No. 6:11-cv-01542-JMC
Plaintiff,)
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v.) ORDER
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Lt. Chrissie Cofield; Lt. Kenneth Richards,)
a/k/a Richards; Ricky Chastain, a/k/a Ricky)
Castin, ¹)
)
Defendants.)
	_)

This matter is before the court for review of the Magistrate Judge's Report and Recommendation ("Report"), [Doc. 94], filed on March 30, 2012, recommending that the Plaintiff's Motion for Summary Judgment [Doc. 63], be denied, Defendant Lt. Kenneth Richard's ("Richards") Motion for Summary Judgment [Doc. 64] be granted, Plaintiff's Motion for Monetary Damages [Doc. 71] be denied, Defendant Lt. Chrissie Cofield's ("Cofield") Motion for Summary Judgment [Doc. 74] be granted, and Plaintiff's Motion for Hearing [Doc. 78] be denied. Plaintiff brought this action seeking relief pursuant to Title 42 U.S.C. §1983 for alleged use of unnecessary deadly force by Defendants Richards and Cofield. The Report and Recommendation sets forth in detail the relevant facts and legal standards on this matter, and the court incorporates the Magistrate Judge's recommendation herein without a recitation.

¹On September 1, 2011, Plaintiff's claims as to Defendant Ricky Chastain ("Chastain") were dismissed without prejudice and without issuance and service of process. As a result, Chastain was terminated as a party. [Doc. 36.] Thus, any reference to "Defendants" in this Report and Recommendation is to Defendants Lt. Chrissie Cofield and Lt. Kenneth Richards.

The Magistrate Judge's Report and Recommendation is made in accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1) and Local Civil Rule 73.02 for the District of South Carolina. The Magistrate Judge makes only a recommendation to this court. The recommendation has no presumptive weight. The responsibility to make a final determination remains with this court. *See Mathews v. Weber*, 423 U.S. 261, 270-71 (1976). The court is charged with making a *de novo* determination of those portions of the Report and Recommendation to which specific objections are made, and the court may accept, reject, or modify, in whole or in part, the Magistrate Judge's recommendation or recommit the matter with instructions. *See* 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1).

Plaintiff was advised of his right to file objections to the Report and Recommendation [Doc. 94 - 1]. However, Plaintiff filed no objections to the Report and Recommendation.

In the absence of objections to the Magistrate Judge's Report and Recommendation, this court is not required to provide an explanation for adopting the recommendation. *See Camby v. Davis*, 718 F.2d 198, 199 (4th Cir. 1983). Rather, "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, 315 (4th Cir. 2005) (*quoting* Fed. R. Civ. P. 72 advisory committee's note). Furthermore, failure to file specific written objections to the Report and Recommendation results in a party's waiver of the right to appeal from the judgment of the District Court based upon such recommendation. 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1); *Thomas v. Arn*, 474 U.S. 140 (1985); *Wright v. Collins*, 766 F.2d 841 (4th Cir. 1985); *United States v. Schronce*, 727 F.2d 91 (4th Cir. 1984).

After careful review of these documents, the Court ACCEPTS the Report. [Doc. 94].

Therefore, for the reasons articulated by the Magistrate Judge in the above captioned case, Plaintiff's Motion for Summary Judgment [Doc. 63] is **DENIED**; Defendant Richards' Motion for Summary Judgment [Doc. 64] is **GRANTED**; Plaintiff's Motion for Monetary Damages [Doc. 71] is **DENIED**; Defendant Cofield's Motion for Summary Judgment [Doc. 74] is **GRANTED**; and Plaintiff's Motion for Hearing [Doc. 78] is **DENIED**.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

J. Michalla Childs

United States District Judge

Greenville, South Carolina April 25, 2012