## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT MIDDLE DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE COLUMBIA DIVISION

CURTIS LEE MARTIN	)	
Plaintiff,	]	
	]	
v.	J	No. 1:14-0090
	]	CHIEF JUDGE HAYNES
TENNESSEE BUREAU OF	]	
INVESTIGATION	]	
Defendant.	]	

## MEMORANDUM

Plaintiff, Curtis Lee Martin, an inmate at the Lawrence County Jail in Lawrenceburg, Tennessee, filed this <u>pro se</u> action under 42 U.S.C. § 1983 against the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation. Plaintiff seeks damages for the Defendant's alleged cruel and unusual treatment of him for his employment as a home builder near a school.

Defendant, a state agency, is not a person who can be sued in a 1983 action. <u>Will v. Michigan Dept. of State Police</u>, 491 U.S. 58, 64 (1989).

Thus, the Court concludes that this action must be dismissed for failure to state a claim for relief.

An appropriate Order is filed herewith.

ENTERED this \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ day of July, 2014.

WILLIAM J. HAYNES, JR.

Chief Judge

United States District Court