

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE
WESTERN DIVISION**

ADRIAN D. DELK,

Plaintiff,

v.

Case No. 2:24-cv-2432-MSN-atc
JURY DEMAND

BANYAN LABS,
NADIA MCKENZIE, and
STACEY BROOKS,

Defendants.

ORDER ADOPTING REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION FOR PARTIAL *SUA SPONTE* DISMISSAL

Before the Court is the Magistrate Judge’s Report and Recommendation for Partial Sua Sponte Dismissal (ECF No. 10, “Report”) entered November 5, 2024. The Report recommends that Plaintiff’s claims against Nadia McKenzie and Stacey Brooks (“Individual Defendants”) be dismissed *sua sponte* pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915(e)(2)(B)(ii).

Congress enacted 28 U.S.C. § 636 to relieve the burden on the federal judiciary by permitting the assignment of district court duties to magistrate judges. *See United States v. Curtis*, 237 F.3d 598, 602 (6th Cir. 2001) (citing *Gomez v. United States*, 490 U.S. 858, 869–70 (1989)); *see also Baker v. Peterson*, 67 F. App’x 308, 310 (6th Cir. 2003). For dispositive matters, “[t]he district judge must determine *de novo* any part of the magistrate judge’s disposition that has been properly objected to.” *See Fed. R. Civ. P. 72(b)(3)*; 28 U.S.C. §636(b)(1). After reviewing the evidence, the court is free to accept, reject, or modify the magistrate judge’s proposed findings or recommendations. 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1). The district court is not required to review—under a *de*

novo or any other standard—those aspects of the report and recommendation to which no objection is made. *See Thomas v. Arn*, 474 U.S. 140, 150 (1985). The district court should adopt the magistrate judge’s findings and rulings to which no specific objection is filed. *See id.* at 151.

Objections to any part of a magistrate judge’s disposition “must be clear enough to enable the district court to discern those issues that are dispositive and contentious.” *Miller v. Currie*, 50 F.3d 373, 380 (6th Cir. 1995); *see also Arn*, 474 U.S. at 147 (stating that the purpose of the rule is to “focus attention on those issues . . . that are at the heart of the parties’ dispute.”). Each objection to the magistrate judge’s recommendation should include how the analysis is wrong, why it was wrong, and how *de novo* review will obtain a different result on that particular issue. *See Howard v. Sec’y of Health & Human Servs.*, 932 F.2d 505, 509 (6th Cir. 1991). A general objection, or one that merely restates the arguments previously presented and addressed by the magistrate judge, does not sufficiently identify alleged errors in the report and recommendation. *Id.* When an objection reiterates the arguments presented to the magistrate judge, the report and recommendation should be reviewed for clear error. *Verdone v. Comm’r of Soc. Sec.*, No. 16-CV-14178, 2018 WL 1516918, at *2 (E.D. Mich. Mar. 28, 2018) (citing *Ramirez v. United States*, 898 F. Supp. 2d 659, 663 (S.D.N.Y. 2012)); *Equal Employment Opportunity Comm’n v. Dolgencorp, LLC*, 277 F. Supp. 3d 932, 965 (E.D. Tenn. 2017).

The Magistrate Judge entered the Report on November 5, 2024. The Report explained that written objections to the Report could be filed within 14 days after a party was served with a copy of the Report and also warned that failure to file objections within 14 days may constitute waiver/forfeiture of objections, exceptions, and further appeal. To date, no objections have been filed and the deadline for doing so has expired.

The Court has reviewed the Report for clear error and finds none. Therefore, the Court **ADOPTS** the Magistrate Judge's Report and Recommendation for Partial *Sua Sponte* Dismissal (ECF No. 10) in its entirety. Plaintiff's claims for violations of Title VII against Nadia McKenzie and Stacey Brooks are **DISMISSED WITH PREJUDICE**.

IT IS SO ORDERED, this 22nd day of November, 2024.

s/ Mark S. Norris

MARK S. NORRIS

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE