

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
DALLAS DIVISION

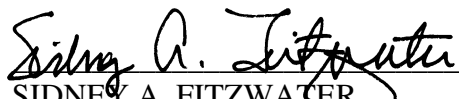
T. H. HILL,)
Plaintiff,)
vs.) No. 3:15-CV-1311-D
)
DALLAS COUNTY DISTRICT)
ATTORNEY’S OFFICE, et al.)
Defendants.)

ORDER OF THE COURT ON RECOMMENDATION REGARDING
REQUEST TO PROCEED IN FORMA PAUPERIS ON APPEAL

Considering the record in this case and the recommendation of the Magistrate Judge, the Court hereby finds and orders:

- () The request for leave to proceed *in forma pauperis* on appeal is GRANTED.
- (X) The application for leave to proceed *in forma pauperis* on appeal is DENIED because the Court certifies pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a)(3) and Fed. R. App. P. 24(a)(3) that the appeal is not taken in good faith. In support of this certification, the Court notes that a magistrate judge’s report and recommendation is not an appealable order. *See Propes v. Dretke*, 130 F. App’x 654, 655 (5th Cir. 2005) (citing *United States v. Cooper*, 135 F.3d 960, 963 (5th Cir. 1998) (“[A] magistrate judge’s report is not an appealable judgment”.) As Plaintiff filed a notice of appeal from the magistrate judge’s report, this Court finds that the appeal presents no legal points of arguable merit and is therefore frivolous.
- (X) Although this court has certified that the appeal is not taken in good faith under 28 U.S. C. § 1915(a)(3) and Fed. R. App. P. 24(a)(3), the plaintiff may challenge this finding pursuant to *Baugh v. Taylor*, 117 F.3d 197 (5th Cir. 1997), by filing a separate motion to proceed *in forma pauperis* on appeal with the Clerk of Court, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit, within 30 days of this order.

DATE: June 3, 2015.



SIDNEY A. FITZWATER
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE