United States District Court Southern District of Texas

ENTERED

February 29, 2016 David J. Bradley, Clerk

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS HOUSTON DIVISION

TRAVIS CHAMBERS, (TDCJ-CID #1611277),

Plaintiff,

VS.

MS. WILLIAMS, et al.,

Defendants.

CIVIL ACTION NO. H-16-0069

MEMORANDUM AND OPINION

The plaintiff has failed to submit a completed and signed application to proceed *in forma* pauperis or pay the filing fee, as required by notice from the Clerk entered on January 19, 2016. (Docket Entry No. 3). The Clerk's notice specifically provided that failure to comply as directed may result in the dismissal of this action. The plaintiff's failure to pursue this action forces this court to conclude that he lacks due diligence.

Under the inherent powers necessarily vested in a court to manage its own affairs, this court determines that dismissal for want of prosecution is appropriate. *See* FED. R. CIV. P. 41(b); *Link v. Wabash R.R.*, 370 U.S. 626 (1962); *Clofer v. Perego*, 106 F.3d 678 (5th Cir. 1997); 8 J. MOORE ET AL., MOORE'S FEDERAL PRACTICE § 41.51(3)(b) & (e) (3d ed. 2010). Upon a proper showing, relief from this order may be granted in accordance with FED. R. CIV. P. 60(b). *See Link*, 370 U.S. at 635.

This action is dismissed without prejudice for want of prosecution.

SIGNED on February 29, 2016, at Houston, Texas.

Lee H. Rosenthal

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United States District Judge