

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA  
ROANOKE DIVISION**

<b>DENIS RIVERA,</b>	)	
	)	
Plaintiff,	)	Case No. 7:16CV00346
	)	
v.	)	<b>OPINION AND ORDER</b>
	)	
<b>RANDALL C. MATHENA, ET AL.,</b>	)	JUDGE JAMES P. JONES
	)	
Defendants.	)	
	)	

*Denis Rivera, Pro Se Plaintiff.*

This prisoner civil rights action closed in October 2021 after the parties reached a settlement. Plaintiff Denis Rivera was then represented by counsel. Now, five months later, he has filed a pro se motion seeking interlocutory relief based on recent events entirely unrelated to the underlying cause of action in this case. I will deny his motion as unrelated to the underlying action.

“[A] preliminary injunction may never issue to prevent an injury or harm which not even the moving party contends was caused by the wrong claimed in the underlying action.” *Omega World Travel v. TWA*, 111 F.3d 14, 16 (4th Cir. 1997).

To warrant interlocutory relief, the movant “must necessarily establish a relationship between the injury claimed in the party’s motion and the conduct asserted in the

complaint.” *Id.* Rivera’s current motion fails to make these required connections.

Accordingly, it is **ORDERED** that the motion, ECF No. 147, is DENIED.

**ENTER:** April 13, 2022

/s/ JAMES P. JONES

Senior United States District Judge