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

JOSEPH DONALD GREENE,)		
Plaintiff,)	Civil	Action No. 7:20cv00208
v.)	MEMORANDUM OPINION	
BOBBY RUSSELL,)	By:	Hon. Thomas T. Cullen
Defendant.)		United States District Judge

This matter is before the court upon Greene's motions for partial summary judgment (ECF Nos. 14 and 20) in this civil action filed under 42 U.S.C. § 1983. The court is currently waiting for Greene to file an amended complaint (see ECF No. 21), and the defendant has neither been notified of this action nor has he responded to the complaint. Without notice and a response from the defendant, the court cannot appropriately assess whether genuine issues of material fact exist. Accordingly, the court finds that Greene's motions for partial summary judgment are premature and, therefore, will deny the motions without prejudice. See e.g., Minyard v. Hooks, No. 1:17-cv-283-FDW, 2018 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 68836, at *9, 2018 WL 1934079 (W.D.N.C. Apr. 23, 2018).

ENTERED this 17th day of February, 2021.

____/s/ Thomas T. Cullen HON. THOMAS T. CULLEN UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE