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7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
8 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
9 AT SEATTLE

10 MARK SMITH,

11 Plaintiff,

12 v.

13 EVERGREEN TREATMENT
14 SERVICES,

15 Defendant.

CASE NO. C18-0701JLR

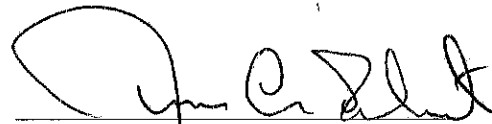
ORDER DENYING MOTION TO
APPOINT COUNSEL

16 On August 27, 2018, the court deferred ruling on Plaintiff Mark Smith's motion to
17 appoint counsel until the pro bono screening committee could make a recommendation to
18 the court pursuant to this District's plan for court-appointed representation of civil rights
19 litigants. (8/27/18 Order (Dkt. # 11) at 2-3 (citing General Order 10-05, August 1, 2010,
20 Section 3(c) (In re Amended Plan for the Representation of Pro Se Litigants in Civil
21 Rights Actions)); *see also* Mot. (Dkt. # 7).) Defendant Evergreen Treatment Services
22 opposes Mr. Smith's motion. (Resp. (Dkt. # 12).) The screening committee has now

1 reviewed the matter in accordance with the District's pro bono plan and recommends that
2 counsel not be appointed. The court thus DENIES Mr. Smith's motion (Dkt. # 7).

3 The court emphasizes to Mr. Smith that he is now responsible for pursuing his
4 case without the assistance of counsel. Materials to assist *pro se* litigants are available on
5 District Court for the Western District of Washington's website. Although the court can
6 afford some leeway to a *pro se* litigant, Mr. Smith is responsible for complying with case
7 deadlines, the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, and with the Western District of
8 Washington's Local Rules.

9 Dated this 2nd day of October, 2018.



JAMES L. ROBART
United States District Judge