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1 2 3 4 5 6 7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 8 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON AT TACOMA 9 10 JOHN THOMAS ENTLER, CASE NO. 3:17-cv-05407-RBL-JRC Plaintiff, 11 ORDER DENYING MOTION FOR 12 v. PRODUCTION OF RECORDS AND **GRANTING MOTION TO ADD** 13 ROY GONZALEZ, et al., ADDITIONAL AUTHORITIES Defendants. 14 15 16 This 42 U.S.C. § 1983 civil rights matter has been referred to Magistrate Judge J. Richard 17 Creatura pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 636 (b)(1)(A) and (B) and Local Magistrate Judge Rules MJR 18 1, MJR 3, and MJR 4. 19 Plaintiff has filed a motion for production of records "for the court's in cam[e]ra review." 20 Dkt. 48. He requests that the Court order defendants to produce prison records for inmates Keith 21 Brian Colberg and Derrick Vargus — two individuals he included in his complaint — alleging 22 that they threatened him. Id. However, pursuant to this Court's pretrial scheduling order, the 23 discovery period for this case ended on March 1, 2018. See Dkt. 14. As defendants properly note, 24

1 plaintiff has made no demonstration that he attempted to obtain this information during the 2 discovery period and has not explained the relevance or necessity of the documents. 3 Because plaintiff has filed this request well outside the timeframe designated by the Court and because he has not shown cause to reopen discovery and compel defendants to 5 produce additional evidence, the Court denies plaintiff's motion for production of records. Dkt. 6 48. 7 Plaintiff has also filed a motion to add additional authorities. Dkt. 49. He seeks to bolster his initial response to defendants' motion for summary judgment. Defendants argue that this 8 9 document is in effect a surreply, which the local rules allow only when moving to strike 10 materials from a reply, and since plaintiff does not move to strike any materials, his pleading is improper. LCR 7(g)(2). However, because pro se prisoners are given greater leeway to make 11 12 relevant arguments to the Court and prisoners' filings are held to a less stringent standard than 13 those filed by attorneys (see Hebbe v. Pliler, 627 F.3d 338, 341-42 (9th Cir. 2010) (citing 14 Erickson v. Pardus, 552, U.S. 89, 94 (2007)), the interests of justice dictate that the Court accept 15 this additional authority. Therefore, the Court grants plaintiff's motion to add additional 16 authorities (Dkt. 49) and will examine those authorities in making a determination on 17 defendants' motion for summary judgment. 18 Dated this 20th day of June, 2018. 19 20 J. Richard Creatura United States Magistrate Judge 21 22 23 24