UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF WEST VIRGINIA

AT BECKLEY

JOVON DAVIS,

Plaintiff,

v.

CIVIL ACTION NO. 5:18-cv-01486

OWNER OF THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL JAIL,

Defendant.

MEMORANDUM OPINION AND ORDER

Pending is whether Plaintiff has failed to prosecute this action. This action was previously referred to the Honorable Omar J. Aboulhosn, United States Magistrate Judge, for submission of proposed findings and a recommendation ("PF&R"). Magistrate Judge Aboulhosn filed his PF&R on December 3, 2019. Magistrate Judge Aboulhosn recommended that the Court dismiss the Complaint without prejudice and remove this matter from the docket.

The Court need not review, under a de novo or any other standard, the factual or legal conclusions of the magistrate judge as to those portions of the findings or recommendation to which no objections are addressed. *See Thomas v. Arn*, 474 U.S. 140 (1985); *see also* 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1) (emphasis added) ("A judge of the court shall make a de novo determination of those portions of the report or specified proposed findings or recommendations *to which objection is made.*"). Failure to file timely objections constitutes a waiver of de novo review and the Petitioner's right to appeal the Court's order. *See* 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1); *see also United States v.*

De Leon-Ramirez, 925 F.3d 177, 181 (4th Cir. 2019) (parties may not typically "appeal a

magistrate judge's findings that were not objected to below, as § 636(b) doesn't require de novo

review absent objection."); Snyder v. Ridenour, 889 F.2d 1363, 1366 (4th Cir. 1989). Further, the

Court need not conduct de novo review when a party "makes general and conclusory objections

that do not direct the Court to a specific error in the magistrate's proposed findings and

recommendations." Orpiano v. Johnson, 687 F.2d 44, 47 (4th Cir. 1982). Objections in this case

were due on December 20, 2019. No objections were filed.

Accordingly, the Court ADOPTS the PF&R [Doc. 8], DISMISSES the Complaint

[Doc. 1] without prejudice, and DISMISSES the matter.

The Court directs the Clerk to transmit a copy of this Order to any counsel of record

and any unrepresented party herein.

ENTERED: July 28, 2020

