IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF WISCONSIN

ANNAMALAI ANNAMALAI,		
v.	Petitioner,	ORDER
WARDEN EMMERICH,		24-cv-132-jdp
	Respondent.	
ANNAMALAI ANNAMALAI,		
v.	Petitioner,	ORDER
EVERICH,		24-cv-167-jdp
	Respondent.	
ANNAMALAI ANNAMALAI,		
v.	Petitioner,	ORDER
WARDEN EMMERICH,		24-cv-204-jdp
	Respondent.	
ANNAMALAI ANNAMALAI,		
V.	Petitioner,	ORDER
WARDEN EMMERICH,		24-cv-205-jdp
	Respondent.	

Petitioner Annamalai Annamalai asks me to vacate the orders that magistrate judges

have entered in the above cases, contending that they lacked jurisdiction to enter those orders

because he didn't consent to their jurisdiction. I will deny these motions.

As allowed under federal law, the court has adopted Local Rule 2, which authorizes

magistrate judges to "hear and determine any pretrial matter pending before this court."

Consent of the parties is not required to have the magistrate judge serve this function. Having

the magistrate judge decide nondispositive matters allows the presiding judge to focus on

case-dispositive decisions, which keeps cases from getting bogged down.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Dkt. 20 in 24-cv-132-jdp, Dkt. 10 in 24-cv-167-jdp, Dkt. 8 in 24-cv-204-jdp, and

Dkt. 9 in 24-cv-205-jdp are DENIED.

2. The clerk of court is directed to send petitioner Annamalai Annamalai a copy of this

order.

Entered June 3, 2024.

BY THE COURT:

/s/

JAMES D. PETERSON

District Judge

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