

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEVADA

Nicole Beverly Silverberg v. Steven Bonomo, et al.

Silverberg · No. 2:25-cv-01314-APG-EJY · Decided January 20, 2026

SUMMARY

The United States District Court for the District of Nevada grants Nicole Beverly Silverberg’s renewed request for alternative service on four individual defendants by publication, mail, and email, subject to specified procedures and deadlines. The court also orders service on Panorama Towers through its registered agent. The court denies Silverberg’s renewed limited-purpose in forma pauperis motion and request for U.S. Marshal service.

CASE DETAILS

COURT	United States District Court for the District of Nevada
WRITING FOR THE COURT	Elayna J. Youchah
JURISDICTION	United States District Court for the District of Nevada
DECIDED	January 20, 2026
DOCKET	2:25-cv-01314-APG-EJY
DISPOSITION	other
PROCEDURAL POSTURE	Plaintiff moved for leave to serve four individual defendants by email or publication and renewed her request to proceed in forma pauperis so that the United States Marshals Service would effect service. The court ruled on both motions in a written order.
STANDARD OF REVIEW	The court applied the requirements of Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 4 and Nevada Rule of Civil Procedure 4.4 to determine whether alternative service was authorized and whether discretionary service by the United States Marshals Service was warranted.
PRECEDENTIAL VALUE	unpublished

TOPICS

- service of process
- civil procedure
- due process

PRACTICE AREAS

- civil procedure

QUESTIONS PRESENTED

1. Whether plaintiff qualified for in forma pauperis status and mandatory service by the United States Marshals Service under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 4(c)(3).
2. Whether plaintiff demonstrated the diligence and due-process considerations required for alternative service on Salav, Bonomo, Parsons, and Kariger.
3. What methods, publications, mailing requirements, and deadlines governed the authorized alternative service.

HOLDINGS

1. The court denied plaintiff's renewed motion to proceed in forma pauperis and her request for service by the United States Marshals Service because she had already paid the filing fee, was not a seaman, and did not establish that discretionary Marshal service was necessary or that alternative service was infeasible.
2. The court granted plaintiff leave to serve Salav, Bonomo, Parsons, and Kariger by publication, supplemented by mailing and email service as required by Nevada Rule of Civil Procedure 4.4.
3. Plaintiff was required to submit proposed publication language for court approval, publish it for four consecutive weeks in the specified newspapers, mail the required documents to each defendant's last-known address, email the documents where possible, serve Panorama Towers through its registered agent, and file a notice of compliance.

KEY QUOTATIONS

“The Constitution does not require any particular means of service of process.” (Order § II.b)

“Instead, the Constitution only requires that service “be reasonably calculated to provide notice and an opportunity to respond.”” (Order § II.b)

FACTUAL BACKGROUND

Only one of seven named defendants had appeared, and plaintiff had experienced difficulty serving the remaining defendants. Plaintiff submitted process-server affidavits describing numerous attempts, on different days and at different times, to serve David Salav, Steven Bonomo, Mahsheed Parsons, and Dennis Kariger. Plaintiff had already paid the filing fee and did not show that a law-enforcement presence was necessary or that service by other means was infeasible.

PROCEDURAL HISTORY

Plaintiff initially sought injunctive relief before serving defendants, and the court required service of the summons, complaint, motions for injunctive relief, and a prior order. After prior requests for alternative service were denied as unsupported by process-server affidavits, plaintiff submitted renewed motions supported by declarations describing multiple service attempts. The court granted alternative service, directed service on Panorama Towers through its registered agent, denied IFP and Marshal service, and extended the service deadline.

DISPOSITION

other

CASES CITED

- Keegan v. United States, 2025 WL 904451, at *1 (W.D. Wash. Mar. 25, 2025)
- Volpe v. JP Morgan Chase Bank, 2022 WL 3643754, at *2 (D. Nev. Sept. 19, 2022)
- Estrada v. Alvarado, No. CV-25-01287-PHX-DJH, 2025 WL 1157761, at *1 (D. Ariz. Apr. 21, 2025)
- Rio Props., Inc. v. Rio Int'l Interlink, 284 F.3d 1007, 1017 (9th Cir. 2002)
- Mullane v. Cent. Hanover Bank & Trust Co., 339 U.S. 306, 314 (1950)
- BP Prod. N. Am., Inc. v. Dagra, 236 F.R.D. 270, 272 (E.D. Va. 2005)

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