

# UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF MINNESOTA

## Brian Crabtree v. Jail Administrators, Becker County, “Nurse Tammy,” “Barb,” and Advanced Correctional Health Care

Crabtree · No. Civ. No. 25-2064 (JWB/EMB) · Decided February 25, 2026

### SUMMARY

The United States District Court for the District of Minnesota accepted a magistrate judge’s Report and Recommendation after finding no clear error and no timely objections. The court dismissed Brian Crabtree’s complaint without prejudice and denied his applications to proceed in forma pauperis as moot.

### CASE DETAILS

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| COURT                 | United States District Court for the District of Minnesota                                                        |
| WRITING FOR THE COURT | Jerry W. Blackwell                                                                                                |
| JURISDICTION          | United States District Court for the District of Minnesota                                                        |
| DECIDED               | February 25, 2026                                                                                                 |
| DOCKET                | Civ. No. 25-2064 (JWB/EMB)                                                                                        |
| DISPOSITION           | dismissed                                                                                                         |
| PROCEDURAL POSTURE    | The district court reviewed a magistrate judge's Report and Recommendation after no timely objections were filed. |
| STANDARD OF REVIEW    | Clear-error review of the Report and Recommendation because no timely objections were filed.                      |
| PRECEDENTIAL VALUE    | unpublished                                                                                                       |
| PARTIES               | Jail Administrators, Becker County, “Nurse Tammy”, “Barb”, Advanced Correctional Health Care                      |

### TOPICS

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## QUESTIONS PRESENTED

1. Whether the magistrate judge's Report and Recommendation should be accepted when no timely objections were filed.
2. Whether the complaint should be dismissed without prejudice.
3. Whether plaintiff's applications to proceed in forma pauperis should be denied as moot following dismissal.

## HOLDINGS

1. When no timely objections are filed to a magistrate judge's Report and Recommendation, the district court reviews the recommendation for clear error.
2. The complaint was dismissed without prejudice.
3. Plaintiff's applications to proceed in forma pauperis were denied as moot.

## FACTUAL BACKGROUND

The opinion provides no substantive factual findings concerning the underlying claims. Plaintiff Brian Crabtree filed a complaint against jail administrators, Becker County, individuals identified as “Nurse Tammy” and “Barb,” and Advanced Correctional Health Care. The order resolves the matter by accepting the magistrate judge's Report and Recommendation and dismissing the complaint without prejudice.

## PROCEDURAL HISTORY

United States Magistrate Judge Elsa M. Bullard issued a Report and Recommendation on January 6, 2026. No objections were filed within the permitted time. The district court reviewed the recommendation for clear error, found none, accepted it, dismissed the complaint without prejudice, and denied the applications to proceed in forma pauperis as moot.

## DISPOSITION

dismissed

## CASES CITED

- *Grinder v. Gammon*, 73 F.3d 793, 795 (8th Cir. 1996)

## OPINION

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF MINNESOTA Brian Crabtree, Civ. No. 25-2064 (JWB/EMB) Plaintiff, ORDER ACCEPTING v. REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION OF MAGISTRATE JUDGE Jail Administrators, Becker County, “Nurse Tammy,” “Barb,” and Advanced Correctional Health Care, Defendants. United States Magistrate Judge Elsa M. Bullard issued a Report and Recommendation (“R&R”) on January 6, 2026.

(Doc. No. 21.) No objections have been filed to that R&R in the time permitted. Absent timely objections, the R&R is reviewed for clear error. See Fed. R. Civ. P. 72(b); *Grinder v. Gammon*, 73 F.3d 793, 795 (8th Cir. 1996).

Having reviewed the R&R, no clear error is found. Based on the R&R of the Magistrate Judge, and on all the files, records, and proceedings in this case, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that: 1. The January 6, 2026 Report and Recommendation (Doc. No. 21) is ACCEPTED; 2. Plaintiff Brian Crabtree's Complaint (Doc. No. 1) is DISMISSED WITHOUT PREJUDICE; and 3. Plaintiff's Applications to Proceed In Forma Pauperis (Doc.

Nos. 2, 12) are DENIED as moot. LET JUDGMENT BE ENTERED ACCORDINGLY. Date: February 25, 2026 s/ Jerry W. Blackwell JERRY W. BLACKWELL