

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF
OHIO, WESTERN DIVISION

Ronald Douglas Wright v. Commissioner of Social Security

Wright · No. 3:26-cv-205 · Decided March 31, 2026

SUMMARY

The United States District Court for the Northern District of Ohio adopts the magistrate judge’s Report and Recommendation after no party filed objections within the prescribed fourteen-day period. The court denies Ronald Douglas Wright’s motion to proceed in forma pauperis in his action against the Commissioner of Social Security.

CASE DETAILS

COURT	United States District Court for the Northern District of Ohio, Western Division
WRITING FOR THE COURT	Jeffrey J. Helmick
JURISDICTION	United States District Court for the Northern District of Ohio, Western Division
DECIDED	March 31, 2026
DOCKET	3:26-cv-205
DISPOSITION	other
PROCEDURAL POSTURE	The district court reviewed a magistrate judge's Report and Recommendation recommending denial of Plaintiff's application to proceed in forma pauperis. No party filed objections within the prescribed fourteen-day period.
STANDARD OF REVIEW	The district court reviewed the magistrate judge's Report and Recommendation in the absence of timely objections and adopted it after finding that the parties had waived subsequent review.
PRECEDENTIAL VALUE	Unpublished district court order; precedential status not stated.
PARTIES	Ronald Douglas Wright v. Commissioner of Social Security

TOPICS

- waiver
- civil procedure

PRACTICE AREAS

civil procedure

Social Security

QUESTIONS PRESENTED

1. Whether the parties' failure to file timely objections to the magistrate judge's Report and Recommendation waived subsequent review.
2. Whether the court should adopt the Report and Recommendation and deny Plaintiff's application to proceed in forma pauperis.

HOLDINGS

1. A party's failure to file objections within the specified fourteen-day period constitutes a waiver of subsequent review under Local Rule 72.3(b).
2. The court adopted the magistrate judge's Report and Recommendation in its entirety and denied Plaintiff's motion to proceed in forma pauperis.

KEY QUOTATIONS

"I consider their failure to file objections to "constitute a waiver of subsequent review," Local R. 72.3(b), and adopt Judge Sheperd's R & R in its entirety as the final Order of this Court."

FACTUAL BACKGROUND

Plaintiff Ronald Douglas Wright sought leave to proceed in forma pauperis. A magistrate judge recommended that the application be denied and notified the parties of the fourteen-day objection period. No party filed objections within that period.

PROCEDURAL HISTORY

On February 4, 2026, Magistrate Judge Reuben J. Sheperd issued a Report and Recommendation recommending denial of Plaintiff's application to proceed in forma pauperis. The parties were advised that objections were due within fourteen days, but none were filed. The district court treated the failure to object as a waiver of subsequent review, adopted the Report and Recommendation in its entirety, and denied the motion.

DISPOSITION

other

CASES CITED

- Berkshire v. Dahl, 928 F.3d 520, 530 (6th Cir. 2019)

OPINION

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO
WESTERN DIVISION Ronald Douglas Wright, Case No. 3:26-cv-205 Plaintiff, v. ORDER AND

JUDGEMENT ENTRY Commissioner of Social Security, Defendant. On February 4, 2026, United States Magistrate Judge Reuben J. Sheperd issued a Report and Recommendation (“R & R”) recommending I deny Plaintiff’s application to proceed in forma pauperis.

(Doc. No. 4). In the R & R, he notified the parties: Within 14 days after being served with a copy of this report and recommendation, a party may serve and file specific written objections to the proposed findings and recommendations of the magistrate judge. Rule 72(b)(2), Federal Rules of Civil Procedure; see also 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1); Local Rule 72.3(b)....

Failure to file objections within the specified time may result in the forfeiture or waiver of the right to raise the issue on appeal either to the district judge or in a subsequent appeal to the United States Court of Appeals, depending on how or whether the party responds to the report and recommendation. *Berkshire v. Dahl*, 928 F.3d 520, 530 (6th Cir. 2019).

(Id. at 4). More than fourteen days passed, and no party filed any objection to the R & R. I consider their failure to file objections to “constitute a waiver of subsequent review,” Local R. 72.3(b), and adopt Judge Sheperd’s R & R in its entirety as the final Order of this Court.

Accordingly, Plaintiff’s motion to proceed in forma pauperis is denied. (Doc. No. 2). So Ordered.
s/ Jeffrey J. Helmick United States District Judge