

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF  
OHIO, EASTERN DIVISION

Ricco L. Maye v. Kevin Kelley, et al.

Maye · No. 2:25-cv-1241 · Decided November 24, 2025

SUMMARY

The United States District Court for the Southern District of Ohio orders Plaintiff Ricco L. Maye to file a notice of mailing address after the correctional facility listed as his address of record reported that he was no longer there. The order warns that failure to update the address could result in missed deadlines or dismissal for failure to prosecute and directs the Clerk to send courtesy copies to USP Pollock.

CASE DETAILS

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| COURT                 | United States District Court for the Southern District of Ohio, Eastern Division                                                                                     |
| WRITING FOR THE COURT | Caroline H. Gentry                                                                                                                                                   |
| JURISDICTION          | United States District Court for the Southern District of Ohio, Eastern Division                                                                                     |
| DECIDED               | November 24, 2025                                                                                                                                                    |
| DOCKET                | 2:25-cv-1241                                                                                                                                                         |
| DISPOSITION           | other                                                                                                                                                                |
| PROCEDURAL POSTURE    | The district court ordered the incarcerated plaintiff to update his mailing address after the correctional facility reported that he was no longer in custody there. |
| PRECEDENTIAL VALUE    | Unpublished district court order                                                                                                                                     |

TOPICS

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PRACTICE AREAS

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QUESTIONS PRESENTED

1. Whether the plaintiff should be ordered to provide the court with an updated mailing address after the court learned that he was no longer at his address of record.
2. Whether failure to update the address could support dismissal for failure to prosecute.

#### **HOLDINGS**

1. A litigant has an affirmative duty to notify the court of any change in address, and the plaintiff was therefore ordered to file a notice listing an address at which he could receive regular U.S. mail.
2. Failure to update the address may result in dismissal for failure to prosecute because the plaintiff may miss important orders and deadlines.

#### **KEY QUOTATIONS**

*“Plaintiff has an affirmative duty to notify the Court of any change in address.”*

#### **FACTUAL BACKGROUND**

The plaintiff's address of record was the Northeast Ohio Correctional Center. The facility's business office notified the court that the plaintiff was no longer there, creating a risk that he would not receive court orders and deadlines.

#### **PROCEDURAL HISTORY**

Plaintiff brought a prisoner civil-rights action in the Southern District of Ohio. After the court learned that he was no longer at his address of record, it issued this order requiring him to file a notice of mailing address by December 23, 2025 and warning that failure to do so could result in dismissal for failure to prosecute.

#### **DISPOSITION**

other

#### **CASES CITED**

- Oesch v. Ohio Dep't of Corr., No. 2:19-cv-1758, 2019 WL 2289836, at \*1 (S.D. Ohio May 29, 2019)
- Walker v. Cognis Oleo Chem., LLC, No. 1:07-cv-289, 2010 WL 717275, at \*1 (S.D. Ohio Feb. 26, 2010)