

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF
CALIFORNIA

Ramello Randle v. Moreno, et al.

Randle v. Moreno · No. 1:25-cv-00230-JLT-EPG (PC) · Decided December 4, 2025

SUMMARY

The United States District Court for the Eastern District of California adopted the magistrate judge’s findings and recommendations in a prisoner civil rights action. The court dismissed the action without prejudice because the plaintiff failed to exhaust administrative remedies before filing suit, and directed the Clerk of Court to close the case.

CASE DETAILS

COURT	United States District Court for the Eastern District of California
JURISDICTION	United States District Court for the Eastern District of California
DECIDED	December 4, 2025
DOCKET	1:25-cv-00230-JLT-EPG (PC)
DISPOSITION	dismissed
PROCEDURAL POSTURE	A state prisoner proceeding pro se and in forma pauperis brought a civil-rights action alleging deliberate indifference to poor prison conditions. The magistrate judge recommended dismissal without prejudice for failure to exhaust administrative remedies before filing suit. After the plaintiff failed to object, the district court conducted de novo review, adopted the findings and recommendations, dismissed the action without prejudice, and directed the clerk to close the case.
STANDARD OF REVIEW	De novo review under 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1)(C).
PRECEDENTIAL VALUE	unpublished district court order

TOPICS

- prisoners rights
- civil rights
- civil procedure

PRACTICE AREAS

- prisoner civil rights
- civil procedure
- administrative exhaustion

QUESTIONS PRESENTED

1. Whether the action should be dismissed without prejudice because Plaintiff failed to exhaust administrative remedies before filing the lawsuit.
2. Whether the magistrate judge's findings and recommendations should be adopted after de novo review where Plaintiff filed no objections.

HOLDINGS

1. The action must be dismissed without prejudice because Plaintiff failed to exhaust administrative remedies before filing the civil-rights lawsuit.
2. The district court adopted the findings and recommendations in full following de novo review.

FACTUAL BACKGROUND

Ramello Randle, a state prisoner, alleged that Defendants' deliberate indifference caused poor prison conditions that resulted in health issues for him and his cellmate. The complaint was filed before Plaintiff had exhausted available administrative remedies. After being ordered to show cause regarding exhaustion, Plaintiff did not respond.

PROCEDURAL HISTORY

Plaintiff filed the complaint on February 21, 2025. The magistrate judge issued an order to show cause regarding exhaustion under the Prison Litigation Reform Act, but Plaintiff did not respond. The magistrate judge later recommended dismissal without prejudice, and Plaintiff did not file objections within the permitted period. The district court reviewed the matter de novo, adopted the findings and recommendations in full, dismissed the action without prejudice, and ordered the case closed.

DISPOSITION

dismissed

CASES CITED

- Wilkerson v. Wheeler, 772 F.3d 834, 839 (9th Cir. 2014)