

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF SOUTH
CAROLINA**

Maurice L. Bellamy v. S.C. Attorney General et al.

Civil Action No. 9:25-cv-1529-BHH (D.S.C. Mar. 9, 2026) · No. 9:25-cv-1529-BHH · Decided March 9, 2026

OPINION

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA
Maurice L. Bellamy,)) Plaintiff,)) Civil Action No. 9:25-cv-1529-BHH v.)) ORDER S.C.
Attorney General, The State of) South Carolina, The S.C. Dept of) Corrections, The S.C.D.C.
General) Counsel, Bryan Stirling, The S.C.D.C.) Director of Medical, Warden James,) A. W.
Smith, A. W. McDuffy, Major) Meeks, Sgt.

Crowley, Nurse Miller,) Warden Stonebreaker, The United) States Congress, The Catholic Arch)
Diocese and The Pope, Mr. Lawrenz,) The Well Path Center, The 194) Member States of the
United Nations,) The County of Richland, SC, The) County of Kershaw, The County of) Horry,
Adair F. Burroughs, The United) States Senate,)) Defendant.)

_____) This matter is before the Court upon Plaintiff Maurice
L. Bellamy's ("Plaintiff") pro se complaint.¹ In accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 636(b) and Local
Civil Rule 73.02(B), D.S.C., the matter was referred to a United States Magistrate Judge for
preliminary review.

On February 17, 2026, the Magistrate Judge issued a report and recommendation ("Report"),
outlining the procedural history of this case and considering the various motions filed by Plaintiff.
(ECF No. 35.) After reviewing various pleadings, the Magistrate Judge 1 As the Magistrate Judge
explained in her Report, the complaint was originally filed by Plaintiff and three other inmates as
a single action in case number 9:24-cv-4660-BHH-MHC, but on March 10, 2025, the Court
directed that the complaint be filed in four separate actions.

(See ECF No. 35 at 3.) recommended that the Court deny all of Plaintiff's motions requesting
various relief. (See id. at 2-7.) Attached to the Magistrate Judge's Report was a notice advising
Plaintiff of the right to file written objections to the Report within fourteen days of being served
with a copy.

To date, no objections have been filed. The Magistrate Judge makes only a recommendation to the
Court. The recommendation has no presumptive weight, and the responsibility to make a final
determination remains with the Court. *Mathews v. Weber*, 423 U.S. 261 (1976).

The Court is charged with making a de novo determination only of those portions of the Report to
which specific objections are made, and the Court may accept, reject, or modify, in whole or in

part, the recommendation of the Magistrate Judge, or recommit the matter to the Magistrate Judge with instructions. 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1).

In the absence of specific objections, the Court reviews the matter only for clear error. See *Diamond v. Colonial Life & Accident Ins. Co.*, 416 F.3d 310, 315 (4th Cir. 2005) (stating that “in the absence of a timely filed objection, a district court need not conduct a de novo review, but instead must ‘only satisfy itself that there is no clear error on the face of the record in order to accept the recommendation.’”) (quoting Fed.

R. Civ. P. 72 advisory committee’s note). Here, the Court has reviewed the record, the applicable law, and the findings of the Magistrate Judge for clear error. After review, the Court finds no clear error and fully agrees with the Magistrate Judge’s analysis.

Accordingly, the Court adopts and incorporates the Magistrate Judge’s Report (ECF No. 35), and the Court denies all of Plaintiff’s motions requesting various relief (ECF Nos. 23, 24, and 27). 2 IT IS SO ORDERED. /s/Bruce H. Hendricks United States District Judge March 9. 2026 Charleston, South Carolina 3