

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF
CALIFORNIA

Gonzalez v. James

Gonzalez · No. 1:23-cv-01505 JLT SAB (PC) · Decided May 23, 2025

SUMMARY

The United States District Court for the Eastern District of California adopted findings and recommendations recommending dismissal of Jaime Cesar Gonzalez’s § 1983 action. The court dismissed the action without prejudice for failure to prosecute and failure to obey court orders and directed the Clerk to close the case.

CASE DETAILS

COURT	United States District Court for the Eastern District of California
WRITING FOR THE COURT	Jennifer L. Thurston
JURISDICTION	United States District Court for the Eastern District of California
DECIDED	May 23, 2025
DOCKET	1:23-cv-01505 JLT SAB (PC)
DISPOSITION	dismissed
PROCEDURAL POSTURE	The district court reviewed and adopted a magistrate judge's findings and recommendations recommending dismissal for failure to prosecute. No objections were filed.
STANDARD OF REVIEW	De novo review under 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1)
PRECEDENTIAL VALUE	unpublished district court order; nonprecedential
PARTIES	Jaime Cesar Gonzalez v. Joon Kee James, et al.

TOPICS

- civil procedure
- section 1983
- prisoners rights

PRACTICE AREAS

- Civil procedure
- Civil rights
- Prisoner litigation

QUESTIONS PRESENTED

1. Whether the district court should adopt the magistrate judge's findings and recommendations after conducting de novo review under 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1).
2. Whether the action should be dismissed without prejudice for failure to prosecute and failure to obey court orders.

HOLDINGS

1. The district court adopted the magistrate judge's findings and recommendations in full because they were supported by the record and proper analysis.
2. The action was dismissed without prejudice for failure to prosecute and failure to obey the court's orders.

KEY QUOTATIONS

“This matter is DISMISSED without prejudice for failure to prosecute and for failure to obey the Court’s orders.” (at 1)

FACTUAL BACKGROUND

Jaime Cesar Gonzalez, proceeding pro se and in forma pauperis, filed a civil-rights action under 42 U.S.C. § 1983. The magistrate judge found that Gonzalez failed to prosecute the action and failed to obey court orders, and recommended dismissal. The findings and recommendations were served on the parties, but neither party filed objections within the allowed fourteen-day period.

PROCEDURAL HISTORY

Plaintiff brought this pro se, in forma pauperis action under 42 U.S.C. § 1983. On April 22, 2025, the magistrate judge recommended dismissal for failure to prosecute. After the parties failed to object within the prescribed period, the district court conducted de novo review, adopted the findings and recommendations in full, dismissed the action without prejudice for failure to prosecute and failure to obey court orders, and directed the clerk to close the case.

DISPOSITION

dismissed

CASES CITED

- Wilkerson v. Wheeler, 772 F.3d 834, 838-39 (9th Cir. 2014)