

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF MINNESOTA

Roxanne E. Rankin v. Katie Murdock

Rankin · No. 25-cv-4586 (MJD/DJF) · Decided January 9, 2026

SUMMARY

A United States magistrate judge recommends dismissing Roxanne E. Rankin's action against Katie Murdock without prejudice under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 41(b) for failure to prosecute. The recommendation followed Rankin's failure to pay the filing fee or apply for in forma pauperis status and her lack of communication with the court.

OPINION

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF MINNESOTA Roxanne E. Rankin, Case No. 25-cv-4586 (MJD/DJF) Plaintiff, v. REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION Katie Murdock, Manager of RRM Minneapolis, Defendant. In a letter dated December 11, 2025, the Clerk of Court directed plaintiff Roxanne E. Rankin to submit the \$405.00 filing fee for this action or apply for in forma pauperis ("IFP") status.

(ECF No. 2.) The letter gave Ms. Rankin 15 days to pay the filing fee or submit an IFP application, failing which this action could be dismissed without prejudice for failure to prosecute. That deadline has now passed, and Ms. Rankin has not paid the filing fee for this matter or applied for IFP status.

In fact, Ms. Rankin has not communicated with the Court about this case at all since commencing this action, and the Court has been unable to contact Ms. Rankin or determine where she is now located. Accordingly, the Court now recommends that this action be dismissed without prejudice under Rule 41(b) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure for failure to prosecute.

See *Henderson v. Renaissance Grand Hotel*, 267 F. App'x 496, 497 (8th Cir. 2008) (per curiam) ("A district court has discretion to dismiss an action under Rule 41(b) for a plaintiff's failure to prosecute, or to comply with the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure or any court order."). RECOMMENDATION Based on the foregoing, and on all the files, records, and proceedings herein, IT IS HEREBY RECOMMENDED that this action be DISMISSED WITHOUT PREJUDICE under Fed.

R. Civ. P. 41(b) for failure to prosecute. Dated: January 9, 2026 s/ Dulce J. Foster Dulce J. Foster United States Magistrate Judge NOTICE Filing Objections: This Report and Recommendation is not an order or judgment of the District Court and is therefore not appealable directly to the Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals.

Under Local Rule 72.2(b)(1), “a party may file and serve specific written objections to a magistrate judge’s proposed finding and recommendations within 14 days after being served a copy” of the Report and Recommendation. A party may respond to those objections within 14 days after being served a copy of the objections. See Local Rule 72.2(b)(2). All objections and responses must comply with the word or line limits set forth in Local Rule 72.2(c).