

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF
CALIFORNIA

William James Gradford, Jr. v. A. Perez, et al.

Gradford v. Perez · No. 2:24-cv-2012-TLN-JDP (PS) · Decided June 20, 2025

OPINION

(PS) Gradford v. Perez

PER CURIAM.

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10 11 WILLIAM JAMES GRADFORD, Jr., Case No. 2:24-cv-2012-TLN-JDP (PS) 12 Plaintiff,
13 v. ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE

14 A. PEREZ, et al., 15 Defendants. 16 17 On May 1, 2025, I screened plaintiff’s complaint and
dismissed it for failure to state a 18 claim. ECF No. 12. I ordered plaintiff to file, within thirty
days, either an amended complaint or 19 a notice of voluntary dismissal of this action. Id. To date,
plaintiff has not complied with that 20 order. 21 The court has the inherent power to control its
docket and may, in the exercise of that 22 power, impose sanctions where appropriate, including
dismissal. *Bautista v. Los Angeles Cnty.*, 23 216 F.3d 837, 841 (9th Cir. 2000); see Local Rule 110
 (“Failure of counsel or of a party to 24 comply with these Rules or with any order of the Court
may be grounds for imposition by the 25 Court of any and all sanctions . . . within the inherent
power of the Court.”). A court may dismiss 26 an action based on a party’s failure to prosecute an
action, failure to obey a court order, or failure 27 to comply with local rules. See *Henderson v.*
Duncan, 779 F.2d 1421, 1424 (9th Cir. 1986) 28 (dismissal for lack of prosecution and failure to
comply with local rules). 1 I will give plaintiff a chance to explain why the court should not
dismiss the case for his 2 || failure to file an amended complaint. Plaintiffs failure to respond to
this order will constitute 3 || another failure to comply with a court order and will result in a
recommendation that this action 4 | be dismissed. Accordingly, plaintiff is ordered to show cause
within fourteen days why this case 5 || should not be dismissed for failure to prosecute, failure to
comply with court orders, and failure to 6 || state a claim. Should plaintiff wish to continue with
this lawsuit, he shall file, within fourteen 7 || days, an amended complaint. 8 9 IT IS SO
ORDERED. 10 (1 Ow — Dated: _ June 18, 2025 q——

11 JEREMY D. PETERSON

Db UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

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