UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF CONNECTICUT

Docket No. 3:23-cv-225 (OAW)

CHARLES P. DANIELS,

Plaintiff,

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SIMMS, et al.,

Defendants.

APRIL 21, 2023

RULING AND ORDER

Self-represented Plaintiff, Charles P. Daniels ("Plaintiff"), filed this action asserting claims associated with his incarceration in Texas. Plaintiff resides in Texas and all defendants are identified as employees of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. On February 22, 2023, the court ordered Plaintiff to show cause why this case should not be dismissed for improper venue. Plaintiff was directed to file his response on or before March 8, 2023. See ECF No. 8. Plaintiff did not respond to the order or seek additional time within which to do so. Thus, on March 10, 2023, the court dismissed the case for improper venue. See ECF No. 9.

Plaintiff has filed four motions since the case was dismissed: a Motion to Reopen and a motion for extension of time¹ were filed on March 21, 2023; a response to the court's (February 22, 2023) show cause order was filed on March 24, 2023; and a Motion of Demand Relief was filed on April 14, 2023. Although Plaintiff repeatedly demands that

¹ For clarity of the record, the "Motion to Extion" at ECF No. 11 seeks time to conduct an investigation.

the court reopen his case, he provides no information indicating that venue is proper in

the District of Connecticut.

Venue is proper in "a judicial district in which any defendant resides, if all

defendants are residents of the State in which the district is located," or in "a judicial

district in which a substantial part of the events or omissions giving rise to the claim

occurred." 28 U.S.C. § 1391(b)(1) and (2). As no defendant resided in Connecticut and

none of the events underlying Plaintiff's complaint occurred in Connecticut, venue is

improper. Rather, all defendants reside in Texas and all events occurred there. Thus,

Plaintiff must file his case in Texas.

Plaintiff's motions [ECF Nos. 10, 11, 12, 13] are DENIED. The Clerk of Court

hereby is directed to please return any future documents Plaintiff files in this case.

IT IS SO ORDERED at Hartford, Connecticut, this 21st day of April, 2023.

/s/

OMAR A. WILLIAMS

United States District Judge

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