## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

## FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF WISCONSIN

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RYON STACY REESE,

ORDER

Plaintiff,

16-cv-303-bbc

v.

MICHAEL DITTMAN, KAREN ANDERSON,
MEREDITH MASHAK, KARL HOFFMAN,
SALAM SYED, KATHLEEN WHALEN,
EMMA STARCK, KRISTEN DEYOUNG,
DENISE VALERIUS, BARB HARRIS,
NICOLE FELTON, KIM CAMPBELL,
CHAD KELLER, PHILLIP HOECHST,
LUCAS VOLDEN, PAUL BAUMGARTEN, JEFF REWEY,
STEPHEN WILLETT, TIMOTHY ZIEGLER,

Defendants.

Pro se plaintiff and prisoner Ryon Stacy Reese is proceeding on 11 claims, most of which relate to alleged failures by prison officials to provide medical care for chronic pain, in violation of the Eighth Amendment. In an order dated March 22, 2017, dkt. #61, the court granted plaintiff's request for assistance in recruiting counsel. The following day, the court received two more motions from plaintiff: (1) another motion for assistance in recruiting counsel, dkt. #62; and (2) a motion for leave to file a supplemental complaint, dkt. #63.

Plaintiff does not explain why he filed an additional motion for assistance in

recruiting counsel while his earlier motion was pending. In any event, because I granted the earlier motion, I will deny his new request for counsel as moot.

As to the motion for leave to file a supplemental complaint, plaintiff cannot have it both ways. Now that the court has agreed to help plaintiff find a lawyer, plaintiff will have to consult with that lawyer before making decisions about the proper scope of this lawsuit. Accordingly, I am denying this motion as well. If plaintiff wants to assert new claims in this case, he may raise that issue with his lawyer after the lawyer is appointed. If plaintiff and the lawyer agree about the appropriate course of action, the lawyer may seek leave to amend at that time. If plaintiff wants to proceed on new claims now, he will have to file a new lawsuit on his own, without the assistance of counsel.

## **ORDER**

## IT IS ORDERED that

1. Plaintiff Ryon Stacy Reese's motion for assistance in recruiting counsel, dkt. #61, is DENIED as moot.

2. Plaintiff's motion for leave to file a supplemental complaint, dkt. #62, is DENIED.

Entered this 31st day of March, 2017.

BY THE COURT:

/s/ BARBARA B. CRABB District Judge