

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF WISCONSIN

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WILLIE WILLIAMS,

Plaintiff,

v.

WARDEN GERALD BERGE and  
C.O. II H. BRAY

Defendants.  
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ORDER

02-C-283-C

Plaintiff's request for oral argument before a decision is reached on the motion for summary judgment in this case is DENIED. Plaintiff states that he wants oral argument because he has "a great deal of material" he couldn't file in response to defendants' motion for summary judgment because the Internal Management Procedures at the Wisconsin Secure Program Facility prevented him from getting them. If plaintiff has tried and failed under the formal discovery methods available to him in the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure to get evidence defendants have in their possession that will support his claim, his proper course is to file a motion to compel discovery. On rare occasions, oral argument is useful for exploring complicated legal questions arising in a case; it is not a mechanism for resolving

evidentiary questions or discovery disputes.

Entered this 26th day of December, 2002.

BY THE COURT:

BARBARA B. CRABB  
District Judge