

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

CHARLES PRIDE,

Plaintiff,

v.

ORDER

13-cv-308-bbc

CITY OF EAGLE RIVER, WISCONSIN,
JEFF HYSLOP, FRED INTERMUEHLE,
JOE LAUX, JERRY BURKET,
GEORGE MEADOWS, KIM SCHAFER,
CAROL HENDRICK, DEB BROWN,
EAGLE RIVER LIGHT AND WATER,
LARRY PHIFER, LON BUSHEY,
PAT WEBER, EAGLE RIVER PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
JOE TOMLANOVICH, MIKE ADAMOVICH,
MIDSTATE ENGINEERING, SCOTT MARTIN,
BLACKHAWK ENGINEERING, GREG HUZA;
STEVE GARBOWICZ, JOHN NIEBURH,
JOE RATH and JERRI RADTKE,

Defendants.

In this closed case, plaintiff Charles Pride has filed a “motion for attorney representation,” asking this court to recruit a pro bono attorney to assist him with this case. Plaintiff’s request will be denied.

It is not the court’s practice to assist in recruiting counsel outside the context of a pending lawsuit. If plaintiff wishes to pursue the matter, he will first have to move to reopen the case himself, unless he is able to find a lawyer on his own. If plaintiff files such a motion

and the court permits him to proceed with his lawsuit, he may then renew his request for recruitment of counsel. However, plaintiff should be aware that before this court may seek volunteer counsel in any case, he must show that he has made reasonable efforts to secure counsel on his own. Before asking the court to assist in recruiting counsel, plaintiff should be prepared to provide proof that he has contacted at least three lawyers to request representation and that all of his requests were declined. Jackson v. County of McLean, 953 F.2d 1070 (7th Cir. 1992).

To the extent that plaintiff may be seeking an attorney to represent him on appeal, this court lacks authority to assist him in recruiting counsel for that purpose. If that is his purpose, he should direct his request to the Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that plaintiff Charles Pride's request for recruitment of counsel is DENIED.

Entered this 13th day of June, 2014.

BY THE COURT:

/s/

BARBARA B. CRABB
District Judge