

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

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WARREN WILLIAMS,

Plaintiff,

v.

DANE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE,

Defendant.

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ORDER

13-cv-68-wmc

In this proposed action, plaintiff Warren Williams seeks to bring a constitutional claim against the Dane County Sheriff's Office for forcing him to work without pay as a pre-trial detainee in the Dane County Jail. The court previously directed plaintiff to file an amended complaint including additional detail as to (1) the type and amount of work required, and (2) the name of a specific defendant or defendants who required such work. (Dkt. #13.) Now before the court for screening pursuant to the PLRA, 28 U.S.C. § 1915A, is plaintiff's response. For the reasons that follow, the court will deny plaintiff leave to proceed, dismiss his complaint and close this case.

In plaintiff's response, which the court will treat as an amended complaint, Warren alleges that Deputy Mr. King required him to "work 3 times a day [a]fter, breakfast, lunch and dinner." (Dkt. #16.) Plaintiff further alleges that he was required to "clean bunk rows, sweep, mop and clean lockers," "clean dayroom, vacuum carpet, spray and clean tables[,] empty trash," "clean toilets, sinks and mirrors in the restroom" and "scrub the showers," on a rotating basis throughout the week. (*Id.*) As the court explained in its initial opinion and order, however, requiring pretrial detainees to engage

in “general daily housekeeping duties” does not violate their constitutional rights. (12/18/13 Opinion & Order (dkt. #13) 2-3.) Since plaintiff alleges that he was required to engage in these very duties, he has failed to state a claim.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that:

- 1) Plaintiff Warren Williams’ request for leave to proceed is DENIED and the complaint is DISMISSED with prejudice for failure to state a claim upon which relief can be granted under 42 U.S.C. § 1983.
- 2) The dismissal will count as a STRIKE for purposes of 28 U.S.C. § 1915(g).
- 3) Plaintiff is advised that, once he accumulates three strikes, he will no longer be eligible to bring a civil action or appeal unless the pleadings reflect that he is under imminent danger of serious physical injury. 28 U.S.C. § 1915(g).

Entered this 7th day of August, 2014.

BY THE COURT:

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WILLIAM M. CONLEY  
District Judge