

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

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FILOMINA C. STEADY,

Plaintiff,

v.

U.S. IMMIGRATION AND  
NATURALIZATION SERVICE,

Defendant.

ORDER

02-C-683-C

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In an order dated January 27, 2003, I gave plaintiff until February 12, 2003, in which to show that she has exhausted her administrative remedies with the Immigration and Naturalization Service. I informed plaintiff that if she failed to respond, I would dismiss the action for lack of subject matter jurisdiction. Plaintiff has not responded to the January 27 order, except to send this court a copy of a letter that she sent to an INS official, who apparently told her to “present the matter to a court with appropriate jurisdiction.” Although misinformation provided by a public official could provide a reason for the INS to toll any time limitations that have expired while plaintiff pursued relief in district court, it does not provide this court with a basis for jurisdiction. Until plaintiff can show that she

has exhausted her administrative remedies, she may not seek relief in federal court. Once she has done that, she may file a *new* action in this court if the administrative process does not provide her with a remedy.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that this case is DISMISSED for lack of subject matter jurisdiction.

Entered this 27th day of February, 2003.

BY THE COURT:

BARBARA B. CRABB  
District Judge