

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

MICHAEL L. WINSTON, ADAM S. RANEY,
MATTHEW M. BINDER, SILVESTER DONOE,
HARRY ROBINSON, DANIEL COURNOYER,
RANDY ROGERS, KEVIN BRAUN, DAVID
GOODRICH, MICHAEL CHESLEY, JOSE
CORTES, STEVEN POST and RON MAIER,

Petitioners,

v.

SWANSONS SERVICES and JOHN
DOES, sued in their official and individual
capacities,

Respondents.

ORDER

03-C-297-C

Petitioners, inmates at the Wisconsin Resource Center in Winnebago, Wisconsin, have filed a complaint in this court along with petitions for leave to proceed in forma pauperis and trust fund account statements from only two of the petitioners, Michael Winston and Adam Raney. Petitioners' request to proceed in forma pauperis in this lawsuit will be denied without prejudice to their filing separate lawsuits.

In Lindell v. Litscher, 212 F. Supp.2d 936 (W.D. Wis. 2002), I ruled that I would

no longer allow prisoners proceeding pro se to prosecute a group complaint in this court because of the many problems inherent in administering such cases. Instead, I am dismissing these cases without prejudice to each prisoner petitioner filing his own separate lawsuit. If the petitioners named in the caption of petitioners' complaint wish to prosecute a lawsuit, each may file his own separate complaint setting forth the facts as they relate to him and listing the relief he seeks. Unless the petitioner pays the full \$150 fee for filing his complaint, the complaint should be accompanied by the petitioner's trust fund account statement for the six-month period immediately preceding the filing of his complaint so that I can determine whether the petitioner qualifies for indigent status and, if so, how much the petitioner owes as an initial partial payment of the filing fee.

Accordingly, this case is DISMISSED without prejudice to each petitioner filing a separate lawsuit which is accompanied by his trust fund account statement. (If inmates Winston and Raney file separate lawsuits, they may rely on the trust fund account

statements they submitted in connection with this case rather than submit new ones.) The clerk of court is directed to close this file.

Entered this 9th day of June, 2003.

BY THE COURT:

BARBARA B. CRABB
District Judge