

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

MICHAEL HILL,

Plaintiff,

v.

GARY THALACKER, GREGORY
GOODHUE, MICHAEL BARTKNECHT,
TERRY CARD and JOHN SHOOK,

Defendants.

ORDER

04-C-732-C

Plaintiff paid the fee for filing this civil action. Nevertheless, because plaintiff is a prisoner, the court screened his complaint pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915A. On November 22, 2004, I allowed plaintiff Hill to proceed on his claims that defendants Gary Thalacker, Terry Card and John Shook denied him a pay grade promotion because of his race, that defendants Thalacker, Card and Shook, Gregory Goodhue and Michael Barknecht retaliated against him for filing an administrative grievance about the allegedly discriminatory promotional practices and that all defendants conspired to retaliate against him for filing a grievance. Now plaintiff has moved for leave to proceed in forma pauperis for the purpose of having his complaint served on the defendants. That request will be

granted.

Although he chose to pay the full fee for filing his complaint, plaintiff has submitted a trust fund account statement from which I conclude that he qualifies for indigent status. Therefore, I will grant his request for leave to proceed in forma pauperis for the purpose of having his complaint served on the defendants.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that plaintiff's request to be found financially eligible to proceed in forma pauperis for the purpose of having his complaint served on the defendants is GRANTED. The clerk of court is requested to forward copies of plaintiff's complaint to the United States Marshal for service on the defendants.

Entered this 5th day of January, 2005.

BY THE COURT:

BARBARA B. CRABB
District Judge