

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

JACKIE CARTER,

Plaintiff,

ORDER

v.

09-cv-437-wmc

DYLAN RADTKE, DAVID LIPINSKI,
LORI ALSUM, STEVE HELGERSON,
DARCI BURRENSEN, RICK RAEMISCH,
GREGORY GRAMS, JAMES GREER,
JANEL NICKEL and DALIA SULIENE,

Defendants.

Plaintiff Jackie Carter is proceeding in this case on claims that prison staff are acting with deliberate indifference to serious medical needs concerning his feet, rectum and pain management. In a November 12, 2011 order, the case was stayed so that the court could locate a lawyer willing to represent Carter *pro bono* for the following limited purposes:

(1) consulting on the claims raised in the present case, as well as his three other, pending complaints; (2) determining what claims in Carter's three pending complaints might be more appropriately consolidated with the current case while still complying with Fed. R. Civ. P 18 and 20; and (3) deciding whether the lawyer and Carter can agree upon terms of representation in this matter beyond these limited purposes.

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Joseph A. Ranney and Barret V. Van Sicklen, members of the Wisconsin Bar, have agreed to represent Carter for these limited purposes with the understanding that they will serve with no guarantee of compensation for their services. The court will hold a status conference with Carter appearing via videoconference from the Columbia Correctional Institution in order to set a schedule for completion of this phase of the proceedings.

Preceding the conference, attorneys Ranney and Van Sicklen will be permitted to meet with Carter over the videoconference. In order to assist them with analyzing the claims Carter raises in his several lawsuits, copies of the complaints in Carter's other pending cases are attached to this order.

As set forth above, attorneys Ranney and Van Sicklen have been appointed for only these limited investigative purposes; they are not obligated to represent plaintiff for the remainder of the case unless they choose to do so. Likewise, plaintiff is not required to work with these lawyers if he chooses not to do so.

If he does choose to work with them, however, he should allow them to exercise their professional judgment to determine what matters are appropriate to bring to the court's attention and what motions and other documents are appropriate to file. Plaintiff should be prepared to accept his lawyers' strategic decisions even if he disagrees with some of them.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that

- (1) Joseph A. Ranney and Barret V. Van Sicklen are appointed to represent plaintiff Jackie Carter in this case for the limited purposes stated above.
- (2) This case will remain STAYED pending a status conference, at which time a new schedule will be discussed.

Entered this 15th day of July, 2011.

BY THE COURT:

/s/

WILLIAM M. CONLEY
District Judge