

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

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IVAN JOHNSON,

Plaintiff,

v.

PAUL SUMNIGHT, BELINDA SCHRUBBE,  
CHARLENE REITZ, JEREMY STANIEC,  
BENJAMIN HILBERT, BONNIE LIND  
and JERRICA EAGER,

Defendants.  
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ORDER

12-cv-891-bbc

Pro se prisoner Ivan Johnson has filed a motion for assistance in recruiting counsel in this case in which he contends that various prison officials violated his Eighth Amendment rights by failing to give him a pureed diet that he needed after stomach surgery. Having reviewed plaintiff's motion and his other filings in this case, I am granting the motion because I am persuaded that the legal and factual difficulty of the case exceeds his ability to prosecute it. Pruitt v. Mote, 503 F.3d 647, 654, 656 (7th Cir. 2007). The trial will be postponed while the court attempts to locate counsel to represent plaintiff.

## ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that

1. Plaintiff Ivan Johnson's motion for assistance in recruiting counsel, dkt. #71, is GRANTED.

2. The schedule in this case, including the July 14, 2014 trial date, is STRICKEN and proceedings are STAYED pending recruitment of counsel for plaintiff. If I find counsel willing to represent plaintiff, I will advise the parties of that fact. Soon thereafter, a status conference will be held to establish a new schedule for resolution of the case.

Entered this 4th day of June, 2014.

BY THE COURT:

/s/

BARBARA B. CRABB

District Judge