

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
for the Central District of Illinois

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Plaintiff,))
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v.))
)) Case No.
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Defendant(s).))

PRO SE CIVIL RIGHTS COMPLAINT
(Non-Prisoner)

I. JURISDICTION

Subject matter jurisdiction is invoked under 28 U.S.C. § 1331, 28 U.S.C. § 1343(a)(3), and/or 42 U.S.C. § 1983. List any additional bases for federal subject matter jurisdiction here:

II. PARTIES

Plaintiff:

A. Plaintiff, a citizen of _____ (state), who resides at _____, alleges that his/her civil rights were violated by the individual(s) named below.

Defendant #1:

B. Defendant _____ is employed as a
(a) (Name of First Defendant)

(b) (Position/Title)

with _____
(c) (Employer's Name and Address)

Check one of the following:

This defendant **personally participated** in causing my injury, and I want **money damages**. Briefly describe how this defendant participated:

The **policy or custom** of this official's government agency violates my rights, and I seek **injunctive relief** (to stop or require someone to something). Briefly describe this policy or custom:

Defendant #2:

C. Defendant _____ is employed as a
(a) (Name of Second Defendant)

(b) (Position/Title)

with _____.
(c) (Employer's Name and Address)

Check one of the following:

This defendant **personally participated** in causing my injury, and I want **money damages**. Briefly describe how this defendant participated:

The **policy or custom** of this official's government agency violates my rights, and I seek **injunctive relief** (to stop or require someone to something). Briefly describe this policy or custom:

Defendant #3:

D. Defendant _____ is employed as a
(a) (Name of Third Defendant)

(b) (Position/Title)

with _____
(c) (Employer's Name and Address)

Check one of the following:

This defendant **personally participated** in causing my injury, and I want **money damages**. Briefly describe how this defendant participated:

The **policy or custom** of this official's government agency violates my rights, and I seek **injunctive relief** (to stop or require someone to something). Briefly describe this policy or custom:

Additional Defendant(s) (if any):

E. Using the outline set forth above, identify any additional Defendant(s), using additional pages, if necessary.

III. PREVIOUS LAWSUITS

A. Have you begun any other lawsuits in federal court? Yes
 No

B. If your answer to “A” is YES, describe the lawsuit in the space below. *If there is more than one lawsuit, you must describe the additional lawsuits on another sheet of paper using the same outline.*

1. Parties to previous lawsuits:

Plaintiff(s):

Defendant(s):

2. Date of Filing:

3. Case Number:

4. Jurisdiction/Court:

5. Name of Judge:

6. Issues Raised:

7. Disposition of Case (for example: Was the case dismissed? Was it appealed? Is it still pending?):

8. Date of Final Disposition:

IV. STATEMENT OF CLAIM

State here, as briefly as possible, when, where, how, and by whom you feel your constitutional rights were violated. Do not include legal arguments or citations. If you intend to allege several related claims, you must number and set forth each claim in a separate paragraph.

1. On or about _____ (month,day,year), at approximately _____
 a.m. p.m., plaintiff was present in the municipality (or unincorporated area of) _____, in the County of _____, in the State of Illinois, at _____,

where defendant(s) violated plaintiff’s civil rights as follows (*check each box that applies*):

- arrested or seized plaintiff without probable cause to believe that plaintiff had committed, was committing or was about to commit a crime;
- searched plaintiff or his property without a warrant and without reasonable cause;
- used excessive force upon plaintiff;
- failed to intervene to protect plaintiff from violation of his/her civil rights by one or more other defendants;
- failed to provide plaintiff with necessary medical care;
- conspired together to violate one or more of plaintiff’s civil rights;
- other (*please explain*): _____

2. Plaintiff was charged with one or more crimes, specifically:

3. The criminal proceedings (*check the box that applies*):

- are still pending.
- were terminated in favor of plaintiff in a manner indicating plaintiff was innocent.
- resulted in a finding of guilty on one or more of the charges.
- other: _____

V. PRAYER FOR RELIEF

Plaintiff requests that the Court grant the following relief:

1. Compensatory Damages in the amount of \$ _____ to compensate for (*check all that apply*):
 - bodily harm
 - emotional harm
 - pain and suffering
 - loss of income
 - loss of enjoyment of life
 - property damage

2. Punitive Damages: Yes No

3. Such injunctive, declaratory, or other relief as may be appropriate, including attorney's fees and reasonable expenses as authorized by 42 U.S.C. § 1988.

DECLARATION UNDER FEDERAL RULE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE 11

I certify to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief, that this complaint is in full compliance with Rule 11(a) and 11(b) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. The undersigned also recognizes that failure to comply with Rule 11 may result in sanctions.

Date: _____

Signature of Plaintiff: _____

Plaintiff's Name (*print clearly or type*): _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Plaintiff's Telephone Number: () _____