

Central District of Illinois
Civil cases needing Pro Bono Counsel
April 15, 2021

18-1178 Ian Lockhart v Susan Prentiss Et Al, Plaintiff alleges that four correctional officers failed to provide him with clean clothing and access to showers and medical care for several days after other inmates attacked him with a combination of liquid human waster and hair removal product. This case is ready for Pretrial Conference and Jury trial and will be set once a pro bono attorney is recruited. Plaintiff is currently residing in the Pontiac Correctional Center.

20-1247 Devin Mottley aka Skylar Mottley v Nicholas Page Et Al, Plaintiff is a biological male who is transitioning to a female. The Plaintiff alleges two claims 1) a failure to protect claim against all Defendants and 2) a conditions of confinement claim against Defendant Page. Defendant is residing in the Dixon Correctional Center and this case is currently in the process of discovery.

18-1448 Pete Earl Taylor v Nicolas Swise Et Al, Plaintiff alleges that two Tazewell County Deputy Sheriffs inappropriately searched him by repeatedly groping and rubbing his private parts. Plaintiff alleges a third Defendant failed to intervene and prevent their violation of his rights. The following claims are proceeding: 1) a Fourteenth Amendment claim against Defendants Swise and Gall regarding their search of Plaintiff on June 21, 2018 and 2) a failure to intervene claim against Defendant Sparks. These claims are stated against Swise and Gall in their individual capacities only. This case is currently set for Final Pretrial Conference on 7/28/21 and Jury Selection on 8/23/21.

20-3216 McKinley Jenkins v Stephen Ritz Et Al, Plaintiff proceeds on a deliberate indifference claim against five doctors. Specifically, Plaintiff claims that the doctors failed to treat or delayed treatment for his serious eye condition. Plaintiff represents that he is going blind from his eye condition and another inmate has been assisting him with his pleadings. Plaintiff is currently residing in the Lincoln Correctional Center. This case is in the process of discovery.

Any attorney interested in helping as Pro Bono counsel may contact the Pro Bono Coordinator for the Central District of Illinois, Denise Koester at 217-492-4027 or denise_koester@ilcd.uscourts.gov

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