

Central District of Illinois

Civil prisoner cases needing Pro Bono Counsel – UPDATED JUNE 2025

21-1097 GREGORY V HUGHES, ET AL.

Plaintiff Gregory is housed at Pontiac Correctional facility. In June 2019 Plaintiff Gregory was diagnosed with gender dysphoria. Plaintiff proceeds on Counts in violation of Equal Protection Rights based on refusal to consider transgender status; allowing staff to verbally harass based on transgender status; failure to protect from 2019 inmate assault; failure to protect from 2020 inmate assault; failure to protect from substantial risk of harm from other inmates; Eighth Amendment violations by discontinuing shower permit forcing her to shower with other inmates; deliberate indifference to gender dysphoria; violation of rights pursuant to ADA; failure to provide reasonable accommodation; and violation of state law tort of intentional infliction of emotional distress.

23-1323 KNOX V MILLER

Plaintiff Knox is incarcerated at the Joliet Treatment Center and has mental health issues. He also says that he recently suffered a stroke and cannot move the left side of his body. Plaintiff has an excessive force claim against five correctional officers at Pontiac. There is a motion for summary judgment pending needing a response.

23-1420 CLARK V YOUNG

Plaintiff Clark is incarcerated at the Dixon Correctional facility. Plaintiff proceeds on a Fourteenth Amendment conditions of confinement claim and claim for unreasonable medical/mental health treatment.

25-1004 HARWICK V SULLIVAN

Plaintiff Harwick is in IDOC custody. Plaintiff proceeds on Eighth Amendment claims of deliberate indifference of serious medical condition and delay or denial of treatment.

23-4180 DORN V JEFFREYS, ET AL.

Plaintiff Dorn is housed at Menard Correctional center. The Plaintiff states that he is a seriously mental ill inmate and that he only has a fifth-grade education. The Plaintiff has two claims: (1) a failure to protect claim in violation of his Eighth Amendment rights and (2) a conditions-of-confinement claim in violation of his Eighth Amendment rights for being placed in a cell without running water for over a week.

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