United States Court of Appeals Fifth Circuit

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IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE FIFTH CIRCUIT

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No. 05-41800 Summary Calendar

GEORGE L. ROSAS,

Plaintiff-Appellant,

versus

PATSY PEREZ, District Clerk, Nueces County; CATHY POPE CLARK, Assistant Attorney General, Child Support Division; LORENA COVARRUBIAS, Deputy Clerk, Nueces County; CLAUDIA PV, Deputy Clerk, Nueces County; J.U. WILBURN, Deputy Clerk, Nueces County,

Defendants-Appellees.

Appeals from the United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas No. 2:05-CV-102

Before SMITH, WIENER, and OWEN, Circuit Judges.

PER CURIAM:\*

George Rosas, a Texas prisoner proceeding <u>pro se</u> and <u>in forma</u> <u>pauperis</u> ("IFP"), filed a civil rights complaint under 42 U.S.C. § 1983 against Patsy Perez, Clerk of Court for Nueces County, and Cathy Pope Clark, Assistant Attorney GeneralSSChild Support Divi-

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>\*</sup> Pursuant to 5TH CIR. R. 47.5, the court has determined that this opinion should not be published and is not precedent except under the limited circumstances set forth in 5TH CIR. R. 47.5.4.

sion, in their individual, not official, capacities. Rosas alleges that he did not receive notice of the outcome of a paternity action in which he was involved and that he was not informed that the documents he submitted had been filed in the paternity case. He asserts that Perez and Clark conspired to prevent him from receiving the notices. The district court dismissed under FED. R. CIV. P. 12(b)(6) for failure to state a claim. A district court's ruling on a rule 12(b)(6) motion for failure to state a claim is subject to <u>de novo</u> review. <u>Scanlan v. Texas A&M University</u>, 343 F.3d 533, 536 (5th Cir. 2003).

The court dismissed the claim that Perez and Clark conspired to deprive Rosas of his opportunity to litigate his paternity suit, because the claim was based solely on conclusional allegations that were unsupported by any specific factual allegations. On appeal, Rosas has not alleged any factual basis supporting his claims. The district court did not err in finding that Rosas's conclusional allegations are insufficient to state a claim. <u>See Fernandez-Montes</u> <u>v. Allied Pilots Ass'n</u>, 987 F.2d 278, 284 (5th Cir. 1993).

The court also did not err in granting the motions to dismiss for failure to state a claim without giving Rosas leave to amend. <u>Schultea v. Wood</u>, 27 F.3d 1112, 1118 (5th Cir. 1994) (quoting <u>Jac-</u> <u>quez v. Procunier</u>, 801 F.2d 789, 792 (5th Cir. 1986)); <u>see also</u> <u>Jones v. Greninger</u>, 188 F.3d 322, 326-27 (5th Cir. 1999).

Rosas's motion for appointment of counsel on appeal is denied. See <u>Akasike v. Fitzpatrick</u>, 26 F.3d 510, 512 (5th Cir. 1994); <u>Cupit</u> <u>v. Jones</u>, 835 F.2d 82, 96 (5th Cir. 1987).

AFFIRMED; MOTION DENIED.