

**IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS  
FOR THE FIFTH CIRCUIT**

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Fifth Circuit

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No. 09-51003

Summary Calendar  
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LEOPOLDO GALANG LISING,

Plaintiff-Appellant

v.

NATHANIEL A. QUARTERMAN; WARDEN MARY SHELLY; MONIKA LONG;  
THOMAS ADU; DEBORAH ROBINSON; RACHEL WEST; DONNA  
COALSTON; CYNTHIA SANCHEZ; RICK THALER, DIRECTOR, TEXAS  
DEPARTMENT OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE, CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTIONS  
DIVISION,

Defendants-Appellees

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Appeal from the United States District Court  
for the Western District of Texas  
USDC No. 6:09-CV-172  
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Before DAVIS, SMITH, and DENNIS, Circuit Judges.

PER CURIAM:\*

Leopoldo Galang Lising, Texas prisoner # 781977, has filed an application for leave to proceed in forma pauperis (IFP) on appeal, following the district court's order granting the defendants' motion for a protective order. The order stated that the defendants were not required to respond to any discovery

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\* 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 R. 47.5, the court has determined that this opinion should not be published and is not precedent except under the limited circumstances set forth in 5TH CIR.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.

requests propounded by Lising until the issues of qualified and Eleventh Amendment immunity were resolved.

We must examine the basis of our jurisdiction sua sponte if necessary. *Mosley v. Cozby*, 813 F.2d 659, 660 (5th Cir. 1987). Discovery orders incident to a pending action are interlocutory and, ordinarily, are not appealable. *Texaco Inc. v. La. Land & Exploration Co.*, 995 F.2d 43, 44 (5th Cir. 1993). Discovery orders, however, are appealable under the collateral-order doctrine if the order denies a defendant's claim of qualified immunity. *Liberty Mut. Ins. Co. v. La. Dep't of Ins.*, 62 F.3d 115, 117 (5th Cir. 1995).

The district court's order did not deny the defendants' claims of qualified immunity. Accordingly, we are without jurisdiction, and the appeal is dismissed. Lising's motion to proceed IFP on appeal is denied.

APPEAL DISMISSED; MOTION DENIED.