

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

No. 16-10104
Summary Calendar

United States Court of Appeals
Fifth Circuit

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JAMES K. CHAMBERS,

Plaintiff - Appellant

v.

L. SERRANO, Administrator,

Defendant - Appellee

Appeal from the United States District Court
for the Northern District of Texas
USDC No. 4:15-CV-387

Before BARKSDALE, HAYNES, and HIGGINSON, Circuit Judges.

PER CURIAM:*

Proceeding *pro se*, James K. Chambers challenges the dismissal of his 42 U.S.C. § 1983 action against Avalon Correction Services' employee Loy Serrano; the dismissal was based on Chambers' failure to comply with the court's order to file an amended complaint and, alternatively, his failure to state a claim. On appeal, his brief does not address the court's bases for dismissing his claims. When an appellant fails to identify any error in the

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court's analysis, it is as if he had not appealed that issue. *Brinkmann v. Dallas Cty. Deputy Sheriff Abner*, 813 F.2d 744, 748 (5th Cir. 1987). Although *pro se* briefs are afforded liberal construction, contentions must be briefed in order to be preserved. *Yohey v. Collins*, 985 F.2d 222, 224–25 (5th Cir. 1993). Because Chambers fails to do so, his claims are abandoned.

AFFIRMED.