IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE FIFTH CIRCUIT

No. 96-40794 Conference Calendar

PATRICK DEAN WILLIAMS,

Plaintiff-Appellant,

versus

WARDEN DOUGHTY ET AL.,

Defendants-Appellees.

Appeal from the United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas USDC No. G-94-CV-319

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October 21, 1997

Before POLITZ, Chief Judge, and WIENER and DENNIS, Circuit Judges.
PER CURIAM:*

Patrick Dean Williams, Texas prisoner #642439, appeals the dismissal of his 42 U.S.C. § 1983 suit pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915. Williams argues that the district court abused its discretion because Williams misconstrued some of the court's statements to mean that the court had served the defendants. Williams also contends that his medical needs were not treated in a timely and proper manner and that he has endured extreme pain and discomfort.

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 R. 47.5, the court has determined that this opinion should not be published and is not precedent except under the limited circumstances set forth in 5TH CIR.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

We have carefully reviewed the record and Williams' brief. Essentially for reasons adopted by the district court, Williams v. Doughty, No. G-94-CV-319 (S.D. Tex. July 1, 1996) (unpublished), we hold that Williams has failed to demonstrate that the district court abused its discretion in dismissing the complaint as frivolous.

Williams' motion for appointment of counsel is DENIED.

Williams' appeal is without arguable merit and thus frivolous. See Howard v. King, 707 F.2d. 215, 219-20 (5th Cir. 1983). Because the appeal is frivolous, it is DISMISSED. See 5th Cir. R. 42.2. We caution Williams that any additional frivolous appeals filed by him will invite the imposition of sanctions. To avoid sanctions, Williams is further cautioned to review any pending appeals to ensure that they do not raise arguments that are frivolous.

APPEAL DISMISSED; SANCTION WARNING ISSUED; MOTION DENIED.