

IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS
FOR THE FIFTH CIRCUIT

No. 96-60858
Conference Calendar

ROBERT L. BIGSBY,

Plaintiff-Appellant,

versus

MARVIN T. RUNYON, Postmaster General;
UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE;
NATIONAL RURAL LETTER CARRIER'S ASSOCIATION,

Defendants-Appellees.

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Appeal from the United States District Court
for the Northern District of Mississippi
USDC No. 1:94-CV-278-D-D
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October 21, 1997

Before POLITZ, Chief Judge, and WIENER and DENNIS, Circuit Judges.

PER CURIAM:*

Robert Bigsby appeals the district court's imposition of sanctions. We have reviewed the record and briefs, and we conclude that the district court's decision to impose sanctions was not an abuse of discretion. See Krim v. BancTexas Group, Inc., 99 F.3d 775, 777 (5th Cir. 1996); Natural Gas Pipeline Co. of America v. Energy Gathering, Inc., 2 F.3d 1397, 1411 (5th Cir.

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 R. 47.5, the court has determined that this opinion should not be published and is not precedent except under the limited circumstances set forth in 5TH CIR.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

1993). Bigsby's appeal is without merit and therefore frivolous. See Howard v. King, 707 F.2d 215, 219-20 (5th Cir. 1983); see 5TH CIR. R. 42.2.

Bigsby's history of frivolous filings demonstrates that he is a vexatious and harassing litigant. Accordingly, Bigsby is BARRED from filing any pro se civil appeal in this court without the prior written approval of a judge of this court in active service. Further he is BARRED from filing any pro se initial civil pleading in any court which is subject to this court's jurisdiction, without the advance written permission of a judge of the forum court. The clerk of this court and the clerks of all federal district courts subject to the jurisdiction of this court are directed to return to Bigsby, unfiled, any attempted submission inconsistent with this bar.

APPEAL DISMISSED; SANCTIONS IMPOSED.