

IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS  
FOR THE FIFTH CIRCUIT

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No. 01-31046  
Conference Calendar

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ROLANDO ALEXANDER,

Plaintiff-Appellant,

versus

RONNIE BOOK; PETE TOLAR; BOOKER, Captain;  
JOHN DOE, 1-5; JOHN DOE, 1-2,

Defendants-Appellees.

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Appeal from the United States District Court  
for the Western District of Louisiana  
USDC No. 01-CV-1057  
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February 21, 2002

Before JOLLY, JONES, and BENAVIDES, Circuit Judges.

PER CURIAM:\*

Rolando Alexander, INS detainee #A21156111, appeals the district court's dismissal without prejudice of his 42 U.S.C. § 1983 complaint for failure to exhaust administrative remedies. Alexander's appellate brief does not address the issue of exhaustion, which was the basis of the district court's dismissal. He has thus abandoned the issue on appeal. See Yohey v. Collins, 985 F.2d 222, 224-25 (5th Cir. 1993).

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 R. 47.5, the court has determined that this opinion should not be published and is not precedent except under the limited circumstances set forth in 5TH CIR.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

Because Alexander fails to address the only issue on appeal, his appeal lacks arguable merit and is therefore DISMISSED AS FRIVOLOUS. See 5TH CIR. R. 42.2. His motion for appointment of counsel is DENIED.