

United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit

No. 25-10955
Summary Calendar

United States Court of Appeals
Fifth Circuit

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Lyle W. Cayce
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SCOTT SMITH,

Plaintiff—Appellant,

versus

FNU LYNCH, *Deputy, Hunt County*; FNU NAFIKOV, *Deputy, Hunt County*; FNU LANDRITH, *Sargent, Hunt County*,

Defendants—Appellees.

Appeal from the United States District Court
for the Northern District of Texas
USDC No. 3:25-CV-334

Before JONES, HO, and WILSON, *Circuit Judges*.

PER CURIAM:*

Scott Smith, current Texas prisoner # 02585035, appeals the district court's dismissal of his 42 U.S.C. § 1983 suit. The district court dismissed the action without prejudice under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 41(b) for failure to prosecute or follow court orders.

* This opinion is not designated for publication. *See* 5TH CIR. R. 47.5.

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On appeal, Smith does not discuss the district court's application of Rule 41(b) or otherwise address the reasons why his action was dismissed. Though we review pro se briefs with the benefit of liberal construction, even pro se litigants must brief arguments to preserve them. *See Yohey v. Collins*, 985 F.2d 222, 224-25 (5th Cir. 1993); *Brinkmann v. Dall. Cnty. Deputy Sheriff Abner*, 813 F.2d 744, 748 (5th Cir. 1987). By not identifying an error in the disposition of his § 1983 suit, Smith has abandoned any claim related to that ruling. *See Yohey*, 985 F.2d at 224-25; *Brinkmann*, 813 F.2d at 748.

AFFIRMED.