IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF ALABAMA NORTHERN DIVISION

JARMAL JABBAR SANDERS,)
Plaintiff,))
v.) CASE NO. 2:20-CV-922-MHT-KFP
JOHN HAROLD MERRILL, et al.,))
Defendants.))
JARMAL JABBAR SANDERS,)
Plaintiff,))
v.) CASE NO. 2:20-CV-1061-MHT-KFP
JOHN H. MERRILL, et al.,))
Defendants.))
JARMAL JABBAR SANDERS,)
Plaintiff,))
v.) CASE NO. 2:21-CV-07-MHT-KFP
JOHN H. MERRILL, et al.,))
Defendants.))

ORDER

Upon review of the Complaints filed by Plaintiff in the above civil actions and because Plaintiff attempts to present related claims for relief in each pleading, it is ORDERED:

1. Sanders v. Merrill, Case No. 2:20-CV-1061-MHT-KFP, is consolidated with Sanders v. Merrill, Case No. 2:20-CV-922-MHT-KFP, for all further proceedings.

2. *Sanders v. Merrill*, Case No. 2:21-CV-07-MHT-KFP, is consolidated with *Sanders v. Merrill*, Case No. 2:20-CV-922-MHT-KFP, for all further proceedings.

3. Sanders v. Merrill, Case No. 2:20-CV-922-MHT-KFP, is designated as the lead case.

4. The filing fee paid in *Sanders v. Merrill*, Case No. 2:21-CV-07-MHT-KFP, will be applied to the lead case.

5. Plaintiff's Motion to be Allowed to Pay Filing Fee (Doc. 12 in 2:20-CV-922-MHT-KFP) is DENIED as moot.

6. After entry of this Order, all documents filed in the consolidated cases will be filed and docketed only in Case No. 2:20-CV-922-MHT-KFP.

The Clerk is DIRECTED to take all steps necessary to transfer the filing fee paid in Case No. 2:21-CV-07-MHT-KFP to Case No. 2:20-CV-922-MHT-KFP and to file this Order in each of the above cases.

The Clerk is also DIRECTED not to serve the unserved Defendants with a copy of a Complaint previously filed by Plaintiff in the consolidated cases. The Court will enter a separate Order directing Plaintiff to file one amended complaint that applies to all Defendants in this consolidation action.

DONE this 27th day of April, 2021.

/s/ Kelly Fitzgerald Pate
KELLY FITZGERALD PATE
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE