

**United States Court of Appeals
FOR THE EIGHTH CIRCUIT**

No. 06-1472

Nurjhan B. Govan,	*	
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Appellant,	*	
	*	Appeal from the United States
v.	*	District Court for the
	*	Eastern District of Missouri.
James Gammon; Teresa Thornburg;	*	
Sherry Dunseit; Missouri Department	*	[UNPUBLISHED]
of Corrections,	*	
	*	
Appellees,	*	
	*	
Moberly Correctional Center,	*	
	*	
Defendant,	*	
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Les Balty, Human Relations Officer,	*	
MO Dept. of Corrections,	*	
	*	
Appellee,	*	
	*	
Tom Anderson,	*	
	*	
Defendant.	*	

Submitted: March 7, 2007
Filed: March 13, 2007

Before WOLLMAN, MURPHY, and BYE, Circuit Judges.

PER CURIAM.

Nurjhan B. Govan appeals following the district court's¹ partial grants of summary judgment, and its subsequent entry of judgment on a jury verdict as to the remaining claims, in this employment-discrimination matter. We affirm.

On appeal, Govan argues that the district court judge was biased, because the judge ignored the law and sided with defendants in granting summary judgment. She did not seek the district court judge's recusal below, however, and even if she had, she could not have sought recusal based on adverse rulings. See Lefkowitz v. City-Equity Group, Inc., 146 F.3d 609, 611-12 (8th Cir. 1998). Govan also complains that the district court refused to continue the trial, but we see nothing in the record to suggest that the court abused its discretion. See United States v. Vesey, 330 F.3d 1070, 1071-72 (8th Cir. 2003) (continuances are generally not favored and should be granted only when requesting party has shown compelling reason; standard of review). Finally, Govan makes numerous contentions about her appointed counsel's alleged poor performance, but this is not a basis for reversal. See Glick v. Henderson, 855 F.2d 536, 541 (8th Cir. 1988) (there is no statutory or constitutional right to effective assistance of counsel in civil case).²

Accordingly, we affirm. See 8th Cir. R. 47B.

¹The Honorable Jean C. Hamilton, United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Missouri.

²In their brief on appeal, appellees also defend the summary judgment rulings, but we address only the arguments that Govan raises in her appellate brief.