

Anthony B. Hale, a Minnesota inmate, appeals from the district court's¹ grant of summary judgment to defendants in this 42 U.S.C. § 1983 action. Contrary to Hale's assertion, the district court's referral of Hale's case to a magistrate judge for proposed findings and recommendations was proper, and did not require Hale's consent. See 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1)(B); McCarthy v. Bronson, 500 U.S. 136, 138-40 (1991). Having carefully reviewed the record and the briefs, we also conclude the judgment of the district court is correct and an extended opinion would lack precedential value. Accordingly, we affirm the judgment of the district court. See 8th Cir. R. 47B.

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¹The Honorable David S. Doty, United States District Judge for the District of Minnesota, adopting the report and recommendation of the Honorable Jonathan G. Lebedoff, United States Magistrate Judge for the District of Minnesota.