

United States Court of Appeals
FOR THE EIGHTH CIRCUIT

No. 98-2774

Michael West,

Appellant,

v.

St. Charles County Department of
Corrections; Alan B. Stahl, Director;
Scott Meyers, Asst. Director,

Appellees.

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On Appeal from the United States
District Court for the
Eastern District of Missouri.

[Not to be published]

Submitted: February 2, 1999

Filed: February 11, 1999

Before RICHARD S. ARNOLD, WOLLMAN, and BEAM, Circuit Judges.

PER CURIAM.

While an inmate, Michael West filed a 42 U.S.C. § 1983 action claiming defendants violated his First Amendment rights by denying him a pastoral visit. The District Court¹ dismissed West's claims against two defendants, as there were no allegations against them; denied West leave to file both an amended complaint and a

¹The Honorable Donald J. Stohr, United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Missouri.

supplemental complaint; and granted West extensions to respond to the remaining defendant's motion for summary judgment. West did not file such a response. The District Court then granted the motion, holding that West failed to show that a sixteen-day delay in receiving a pastoral visit substantially burdened his sincerely held religious beliefs. West appeals.

Upon a thorough review of the record and the parties' briefs, we conclude the District Court properly dismissed the first two defendants and properly granted summary judgment as to the third defendant. We also conclude the District Court did not abuse its discretion in denying West leave to file amended and supplemental complaints. Accordingly, we affirm. See 8th Cir. R. 47B.

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