

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

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No. 99-1427

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Steven Lee Smith,

Appellant,

v.

Justin Moody, Jailer with Clay County  
Detention Center,

Appellee.

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Appeal from the United States  
District Court for the  
Eastern District of Arkansas.

[UNPUBLISHED]

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Submitted: March 3, 1999  
Filed: March 26, 1999

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

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PER CURIAM.

Steven Lee Smith, an Arkansas inmate, appeals from the district court's<sup>1</sup> order dismissing his 42 U.S.C. § 1983 action. After carefully reviewing the record, we conclude dismissal was warranted because Smith failed to allege any physical injury in his complaint. See 42 U.S.C. § 1997e(e) (no federal civil action may be brought by prisoner for emotional injury without showing of physical injury); cf. Siglar v. Hightower, 112 F.3d 191, 193 (5th Cir. 1997) (affirming dismissal of inmate's claims

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<sup>1</sup>The Honorable Stephen M. Reasoner, United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Arkansas.

pursuant to § 1997e(e) where alleged physical injury was merely de minimis).  
Accordingly, we affirm. See 8th Cir. R. 47A(a).

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