

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

**GARY WAYNE WRIGHT, II,**

**Plaintiff,**

**v.**

**MARSHALL COUNTY ALABAMA, et  
al.,**

**Defendants.**

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**Case No.: 4:22-CV-615-RDP**


**ORDER**

Plaintiff has submitted an *In Forma Pauperis* Affidavit in which he seeks the appointment of an attorney and the authority to commence an action without prepayment of fees, costs, or security. (Doc. # 2). The Affidavit (Doc. #2) is **GRANTED IN PART AND DENIED IN PART**.

The court finds that Plaintiff is indigent, and therefore his request to commence this action without prepayment of fees, costs, or security is hereby **GRANTED**. The Clerk is **DIRECTED** to file this action without prepayment of a fee.

“A plaintiff in a civil case has no constitutional right to counsel.” *Bass v. Perrin*, 170 F. 3d 1312, 1320 (11th Cir. 1999). It is within the court’s discretion to appoint counsel for civil plaintiffs unable to retain an attorney on their own, but appointment is appropriate “only in exceptional circumstances.” *Id.* These exceptional circumstances exist “where the facts and legal issues are so novel or complex as to require the assistance of a trained practitioner.” *Fowler v. Jones*, 899 F.2d 1088, 1096 (11th Cir. 1990). No such exceptional circumstances exist here. Therefore, Plaintiff’s request for the appointment of an attorney is **DENIED**.

**DONE and ORDERED** this June 15, 2022.

  
**R. DAVID PROCTOR**  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE