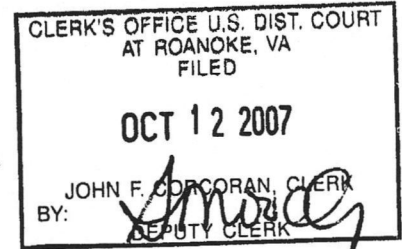


IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA
ROANOKE DIVISION



WESLEY C. SMITH,)
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Plaintiff,) Civil Action No. 7:07CV00117
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v.) **MEMORANDUM OPINION**
)
CHERI SMITH, et al.,)
) By: Hon. Glen E. Conrad
) United States District Judge
Defendants.)

Plaintiff Wesley C. Smith, proceeding pro se, filed this civil rights action arising from acrimonious custody and divorce proceedings that began in the Prince William County Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court in 2002. Smith names eleven defendants who or which have been involved in the proceedings, and he asserts multiple claims. The named defendants are his ex-wife, Cheri Smith; her significant other, Igor Bakhir; his ex-wife's attorney, Loretta Vardy; the guardian ad litem appointed for the Smiths' minor child, Ronald Fahy; five Prince William County Circuit Court Judges, Lon Farris, Leroy Millette, Jr., Rossie Alston, Jr., William Hamblen, and Richard Potter; the Prince William County Circuit Court; and a Pulaski County Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court Judge, Lee Chitwood. The action is presently before the court on the defendants' motions to dismiss. For the following reasons, the court will grant the defendants' motions.

Background

The following facts pertaining to the history of the Smiths' custody and divorce proceedings are taken from the plaintiff's complaint, the supplemental pleading filed by the plaintiff on May 15, 2007, and the supplemental brief and exhibits filed by the plaintiff following the motions hearing on May 15, 2007.

