

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA
TALLAHASSEE DIVISION**

MUSTAFA LEE,

Plaintiff,

v.

CASE NO. 4:19cv210-RH-HTC

CENTURION OF FLORIDA, LLC et al.,

Defendants.

**ORDER DIRECTING THE CLERK TO NOTIFY
BAR MEMBERS OF THE OPPORTUNITY TO
REPRESENT THE PLAINTIFF PRO BONO**

The clerk must send a notice to all attorneys registered with the court's electronic filing system. The notice must state:

This is notice of an opportunity to provide pro bono service either individually or by overseeing work of a law student or other qualified individual, including, for example, a retired attorney.

The case is Mustafa Lee v. Centurion of Florida, LLC, No. 4:19cv210-RH-HTC. A jury trial will be set in Tallahassee at a date acceptable to both sides. The trial will probably last three days.

Mr. Lee is an inmate in the Florida Department of Corrections. He became blind in his left eye while incarcerated. He asserts the

cause was Centurion's deliberate indifference to his serious medical needs. Centurion is the sole remaining defendant.

The claims are described in the order granting summary judgment for one of the treating physicians, Dr. Benjamin Hasty, but denying Centurion's motion for summary judgment. ECF No. 89. A more detailed description is in the report and recommendation addressing the same motions, ECF No. 85.

No further discovery is anticipated. The case is ready for trial.

Public funds are not available for the payment of attorney's fees. Fees may be recoverable under applicable law if Mr. Lee ultimately prevails. *See* 42 U.S.C. §1988. Limited funds sometimes are available from the district's Bench and Bar Fund for the payment of out-of-pocket expenses.

An attorney who wishes to represent Mr. Lee may contact him directly and may enter the case by filing a notice of appearance. Mr. Lee is currently housed in the Everglades Correctional Institution.

Under a Florida Bar Foundation program, a law student may be available to provide representation under the supervision of an attorney. An attorney willing to supervise a law student, or who wishes to obtain more information about this possibility, may obtain information at <FloridaProBonoMatters.org>. Upon deciding to proceed, such an attorney may contact Mr. Lee and file a notice of appearance.

Access to the electronic docket will be made available without charge for consideration of a response to this notice.

SO ORDERED on October 20, 2021.

s/Robert L. Hinkle
United States District Judge