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In the United States Court of Federal Claims

No. 18-664C

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U.S. COURT OF
FEDERAL CLAIMS

CHRISTOPHER WARD-MALONE, *

Plaintiff, *

v. *

THE UNITED STATES, *

Defendant. *

ORDER


On May 4, 2018, the Court received from Christopher Ward-Malone, a prisoner at a federal penitentiary in California, a complaint alleging that he was arrested unlawfully on the basis of an invalid warrant. His complaint was unaccompanied by a filing fee or an application to proceed *in forma pauperis*. Normally, this would result in an order requiring the plaintiff to submit either the fee or a form authorizing the fee to be deducted from whatever prison accounts the plaintiff may have. The Court has reviewed the complaint, however, and it is clear that Mr. Ward-Malone is confused regarding the jurisdiction of our court.

The United States Court of Federal Claims has no jurisdiction over criminal matters, *see Joshua v. United States*, 17 F.3d 378, 380 (Fed. Cir. 1994). Nor do we have jurisdiction over violations of the 4th, 8th, or 14th Amendments, *see Dupre v. United States*, 229 Ct. Cl. 706, (1981) (Fourth Amendment); *Trany v. United States*, 503 F.3d 1339, 1340 (Fed. Cir. 2007) (citations omitted) (Eighth Amendment); *LeBlanc v. United States*, 50 F.3d 1025, 1028 (Fed. Cir. 1995) (Fourteenth Amendment), or over claims arising under 42 U.S.C. § 1983, *see Hover v. United States*, 113 Fed. Cl. 295, 296 (2013), *aff'd*, 556 F. App'x 918, 920 (Fed. Cir. 2014). Accordingly, Mr. Ward-Malone's complaint is hereby **DISMISSED** under Rule 12(h)(3) of the Rules of the United States Court of Federal Claims. The Clerk is directed to close the case. Because Mr. Ward-Malone was confused regarding our

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court's jurisdiction, and in light of the minimal judicial resources taken up by this matter, the Court will not require that he pay the filing fee.

IT IS SO ORDERED.



VICTOR J. WOLSKI
Judge