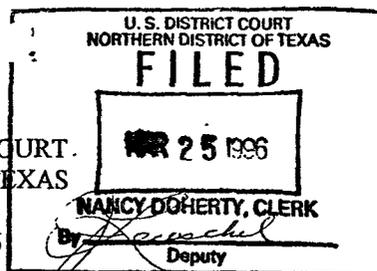


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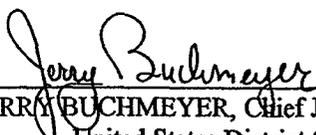
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ORDER

In light of the substantial number of *pro se* civil rights actions filed in the Northern District of Texas, and in light of the fact that such cases are now assigned cause numbers and docketed by the District Clerk prior to any judicial review, the Magistrate Judges for the Northern District of Texas are hereby authorized, *sua sponte* or upon motion of a party, to order consolidation of such cases where two or more such actions involve common questions of law or fact and, following consolidation, to order the parties to file amended pleadings in the first filed action presenting all claims or defenses asserted. (See Rule 42(a), Federal Rules of Civil Procedure). After consolidation of two or more *pro se* civil rights cases, all legal documents filed shall bear only the style and docket number of the case first filed and the later filed case(s) shall be terminated.

ENTERED this 25 day of MARCH, 1996.


JERRY BUCHMEYER, Chief Judge
United States District Court
Northern District of Texas

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