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**U.S. District Court
Southern District of Florida (West Palm Beach)
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 9:25-cv-81143-EA**

Fuentes v. Sergeant Ballou et al
Assigned to: Judge Ed Artau
Referred to: Magistrate Judge Bruce E. Reinhart
Cause: 42:1983 State Prisoner Civil Rights

Date Filed: 09/16/2025
Jury Demand: Defendant
Nature of Suit: 555 Habeas Corpus (Prison
Condition)
Jurisdiction: Federal Question

Plaintiff**Victor Fuentes**

represented by **Victor Fuentes**
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 West Detention Center
 Inmate Mail/Parcels
 P.O. Box 1450
 Belle Glade, FL 33430
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V.

Defendant**Sergeant Ballou***West Palm Beach County Jail**TERMINATED: 09/19/2025***Defendant****K. Davis, Jr.**

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 County Jail*

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Defendant**Deputy Johnson***#13004, West Palm Beach County Jail**TERMINATED: 09/19/2025***Defendant****Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office***TERMINATED: 09/19/2025*

Date Filed	#	Docket Text
04/02/2026	22	PAPERLESS ORDER granting 21 Motion for Referral to Volunteer Attorney Program. Signed by Magistrate Judge Bruce E. Reinhart on 4/2/2026. (cpn) (Entered: 04/02/2026)
03/31/2026	21	MOTION for Referral to Volunteer Attorney Program by Victor Fuentes. Responses due by 4/14/2026. (cwc) (Entered: 03/31/2026)

03/26/2026	20	ORDER GRANTING MOTION AND REFERRING PARTIES TO SETTLEMENT CONFERENCE granting DE 19 Motion to be Excused from Mediation and Request for a Settlement Conference. Signed by Judge Ed Artau on 3/26/2026. <i>See attached document for full details.</i> (cwc) (Entered: 03/26/2026)
03/25/2026	19	MOTION to be Excused from Mediation and Request for a Settlement Conference with a Magistrate Judge, via Zoom, After the Close of Discovery on August 27, 2026 re 17 Scheduling Order,,,, Order Referring Case to Mediation,,,, Order Referring Case to Magistrate Judge,,, by K. Davis, Jr. Responses due by 4/8/2026. (Giuffreda, Richard) (Entered: 03/25/2026)
03/13/2026	18	STANDING DISCOVERY ORDER for Magistrate Judge Bruce Reinhart. Signed by Magistrate Judge Bruce E. Reinhart on 3/12/2026. <i>See attached document for full details.</i> (ls) (Entered: 03/13/2026)
03/11/2026	17	ORDER SETTING TRIAL AND PRE-TRIAL SCHEDULE, REQUIRING MEDIATION, AND REFERRING CERTAIN MATTERS TO MAGISTRATE JUDGE: (Calendar Call set for 1/5/2027 11:30 AM in West Palm Beach Division before Judge Ed Artau., Jury Trial set for 1/11/2027 in West Palm Beach Division before Judge Ed Artau.), ORDER REFERRING CASE to Mediation. (Mediation Deadline 9/16/2026.), ORDER REFERRING CASE to Magistrate Judge Bruce E. Reinhart for Discovery Matters. Signed by Judge Ed Artau on 3/11/2026. <i>See attached document for full details.</i> (cwc) Pattern Jury Instruction Builder - To access the latest, up to date changes to the 11th Circuit Pattern Jury Instructions go to https://pji.ca11.uscourts.gov or click here. (Entered: 03/12/2026)
12/22/2025	16	ANSWER and Affirmative Defenses to Complaint with Jury Demand by K. Davis, Jr. (Giuffreda, Richard) (Entered: 12/22/2025)
12/22/2025	15	NOTICE of Attorney Appearance by Richard A. Giuffreda on behalf of K. Davis, Jr. Attorney Richard A. Giuffreda added to party K. Davis, Jr(pty:dft). (Giuffreda, Richard) (Entered: 12/22/2025)
12/17/2025	14	CLERK'S NOTICE OF REASSIGNMENT OF CASE. Case reassigned to Judge Ed Artau for all further proceedings. Judge Jose E. Martinez no longer assigned to case as presider. (yar) (Entered: 12/17/2025)
12/04/2025	13	SUMMONS (Affidavit) Returned Executed on 1 Complaint 42 USC 1983 or Bivens with a 21 day response/answer filing deadline pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 12 K. Davis, Jr served on 12/4/2025, response/answer due 12/29/2025. (cwc) (Entered: 12/04/2025)
10/20/2025	12	Clerk's NOTICE of Compliance re DE 10 Order. Marshal Packet prepared for service by Marshal. Copy of Complaint DE 1 , Order Allowing Complaint to Proceed in Part DE 4 , and Summons DE 11 provided. (cwc) (Entered: 10/20/2025)
10/20/2025	11	Summons Issued as to K. Davis, Jr. (cwc) (Entered: 10/20/2025)
10/20/2025	10	ORDER REQUIRING PERSONAL SERVICE BY THE U.S. MARSHAL. Signed by Judge Jose E. Martinez on 10/20/2025. <i>See attached document for full details.</i> (cwc) (Entered: 10/20/2025)

10/20/2025	9	ORDER granting DE 8 Motion for Leave to Proceed in forma pauperis. Plaintiff to Proceed without Prepayment of Filing Fee but Establishing Debt to Clerk of \$ 350.00. Granting to the extent that the plaintiff need not prepay even a partial filing fee in this case, or to prepay costs such as for service of process. USM Service Ordered and Summonses NOT provided for USM Service. Signed by Judge Jose E. Martinez on 10/20/2025. <i>See attached document for full details.</i> (cwc) (Entered: 10/20/2025)
10/15/2025	8	MOTION for Leave to Proceed in forma pauperis by Victor Fuentes. (cwc) (Entered: 10/15/2025)
10/15/2025	7	Letter from Victor Fuentes re: IFP Motion. (cwc) (Entered: 10/15/2025)
09/19/2025	6	Clerk's NOTICE of Compliance re DE 5 Order on Motion for Leave to Proceed in forma pauperis. Copy of Order DE 5 and short-form IFP Application mailed to Plaintiff at West Detention Center. (cwc) (Entered: 09/19/2025)
09/19/2025	5	ORDER denying DE 3 Motion for Leave to Proceed in forma pauperis Without Prejudice. Filing Fee due by 10/20/2025. Motions due by 10/20/2025. Signed by Judge Jose E. Martinez on 9/19/2025. <i>See attached document for full details.</i> (cwc) (Entered: 09/19/2025)
09/19/2025	4	ORDER ALLOWING COMPLAINT TO PROCEED IN PART UNDER 28 U.S.C.1915(e). Signed by Judge Jose E. Martinez on 9/19/2025. <i>See attached document for full details.</i> (cwc) (Entered: 09/19/2025)
09/16/2025	3	MOTION for Leave to Proceed in forma pauperis by Victor Fuentes. (kma) (Entered: 09/17/2025)
09/16/2025	2	Judge Assignment to Judge Jose E. Martinez (kma) (Entered: 09/17/2025)
09/16/2025	1	Complaint pursuant to 42 USC 1983 against K. Davis, Jr, Deputy Johnson, Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office, Sergeant Ballou. Filing fee \$ 405.00 (IFP Motion filed), filed by Victor Fuentes.(kma) (Entered: 09/17/2025)