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**FOR THE TENTH CIRCUIT**

**April 29, 2025**

**Christopher M. Wolpert**  
**Clerk of Court**

JOHN H. SLOAN,

Plaintiff - Appellant,

v.

SAMUEL P. AMBROSE; KIARRA C.  
JENKINS; ALFONSO K. CARRERA;  
THE CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER,

Defendants - Appellees.

No. 25-1134  
(D.C. No. 1:24-CV-00992-CNS-KAS)  
(D. Colo.)

**ORDER**

Before **TYMKOVICH**, **MORITZ**, and **EID**, Circuit Judges.

This matter is before us *sua sponte* to consider the court’s jurisdiction over this appeal. *See Hill v. Vanderbilt Cap. Advisors, LLC*, 702 F.3d 1220, 1223 (10th Cir. 2012) (this court has “an independent duty to examine [its] own jurisdiction”).

The district court granted the various defendants’ motions to dismiss and dismissed some of appellant John Sloan’s claims with prejudice and dismissed others without prejudice. [ECF No. 53]. However, the district court noted that the case would remain open pending resolution of Mr. Sloan’s motion for leave to amend his complaint. [*Id.* at 11]. Recently, the district court entered another order stating that Mr. Sloan may seek leave to file an amended complaint. [ECF No. 57].

This court entered an order directing Mr. Sloan to show cause why appellate jurisdiction existed, given that it appeared that finality was lacking. We have before us Mr. Sloan's response to that order. For the reasons articulated below, we conclude that we lack jurisdiction to consider this appeal.

Our jurisdiction generally is limited to reviewing final decisions, orders, or judgments entered by the district court. 28 U.S.C. § 1291. A decision is not final “until the district court has disposed of all claims against all parties, leaving nothing for the district court to do but ministerial tasks.” *Murphy v. Schaible*, 108 F.4th 1257, 1264 (10th Cir. 2024) (citations omitted). Further, an order that contemplates further district court proceedings is generally not a final order. *Hayes Fam. Tr. v. State Farm Fire & Cas. Co.*, 845 F.3d 997, 1003 (10th Cir. 2017).

Because the appealed-from order did not dispose of all claims against all parties and leave nothing for the district court to do but ministerial tasks, it is not final. Rather, it specifically contemplated further district court proceedings. Even now, the district court is contemplating further proceedings; namely, the possibility of Mr. Sloan amending his complaint. [ECF No. 57]. No final judgment has entered and we do not have jurisdiction in this matter. We note that on its own, the dismissal of this appeal will not prevent Mr. Sloan from appealing any final judgment that the district court ultimately enters. We deny

all pending motions as moot.

**APPEAL DISMISSED.**

Entered for the Court

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CHRISTOPHER M. WOLPERT, Clerk