

United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit

No. 25-10603
Summary Calendar

United States Court of Appeals
Fifth Circuit

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Lyle W. Cayce
Clerk

KEVIN JAMES MANNING,

Plaintiff—Appellant,

versus

FNU CHURCH; CITY OF KAUFMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT;
JOSEPH RUSSELL; KAUFMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT;
KAUFMAN COUNTY COURTHOUSE; LANCASTER POLICE
DEPARTMENT,

Defendants—Appellees.

Appeal from the United States District Court
for the Northern District of Texas
USDC No. 3:23-CV-1209

Before JONES, RICHMAN, and RAMIREZ, *Circuit Judges*.

PER CURIAM:*

Kevin James Manning appeals from the district court's dismissal of his 42 U.S.C. § 1983 complaint as frivolous. He moves for leave to proceed in forma pauperis on appeal as a strike-barred litigant, for "leave of court to

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file [an] action,” and for an investigation of judges, police officers, and his businesses.

We must examine the basis of our jurisdiction, sua sponte, if necessary. *See Perez v. Stephens*, 784 F.3d 276, 280 (5th Cir. 2015). Because Manning’s notice of appeal is untimely, we lack jurisdiction. *See* FED. R. APP. P. 4(a)(1)(A); *see also Hamer v. Neighborhood Hous. Servs. of Chicago*, 583 U.S. 17, 20 (2017); *Bowles v. Russell*, 551 U.S. 205, 214 (2007). The appeal is DISMISSED for lack of jurisdiction, and Manning’s motions are DENIED as moot.