

United States Court of Appeals
FOR THE EIGHTH CIRCUIT

No. 03-2106

James Joseph Owens-El,

Appellant,

v.

Bill Hedrick, Warden,

Appellee.

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Appeal from the United States
District Court for the
Western District of Missouri.

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Submitted: September 3, 2003
Filed: September 11, 2003

Before BYE, BOWMAN, and MELLOY, Circuit Judges.

PER CURIAM.

James J. Owens-El appeals the District Court's¹ denial of his Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 60(b) motion. Having carefully reviewed the record and the parties' submissions on appeal, we conclude that the District Court did not abuse its discretion in denying Owens-El's motion. See Arnold v. Wood, 238 F.3d 992, 998 (8th Cir. 2001) (standard of review; Rule 60(b) is not vehicle for reargument of merits, and movant must show exceptional circumstances to justify relief), cert. denied, 534 U.S. 975 (2001). Accordingly, we affirm. See 8th Cir. R. 47B.

¹The Honorable Richard E. Dorr, United States District Judge for the Western District of Missouri.

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