

United States Court of Appeals
For the Eighth Circuit

No. 20-3336

Earl Lee Hall, Jr.

Plaintiff - Appellant

v.

Tracy Taylor, Deputy, Dub Brassell Detention Center

Defendant - Appellee

Appeal from United States District Court
for the Eastern District of Arkansas - Pine Bluff

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Before GRUENDER, WOLLMAN, and GRASZ, Circuit Judges.

PER CURIAM.

Earl Lee Hall, Jr., appeals the district court's adverse judgment following a bench trial in his 42 U.S.C. § 1983 action.¹ Having reviewed the record, we conclude

¹The Honorable Beth Deere, United States Magistrate Judge for the Eastern District of Arkansas, to whom the case was referred for final disposition by consent of the parties pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(c).

the district court did not abuse its discretion in denying Hall's motions for appointment of counsel, *see Patterson v. Kelley*, 902 F.3d 845, 849-50 (8th Cir. 2018) (standard of review), or in addressing Hall's requests for discovery, *see Robinson v. Potter*, 453 F.3d 990, 994-95 (8th Cir. 2006) (standard of review). Because Hall has failed to provide a transcript of the trial proceedings, this court cannot meaningfully review his challenge to the district court's judgment. *See* Fed. R. App. P. 10(b) (discussing the appellant's duty to order transcripts); *Van Treese v. Blome*, 7 F.3d 729, 729 (8th Cir. 1993) (per curiam) (explaining that the district court's factual findings or evidence presented at trial could not be reviewed without a transcript); *Schmid v. United Bhd. of Carpenters & Joiners of Am.*, 827 F.2d 384, 386 (8th Cir. 1987) (per curiam) (explaining that, without a trial transcript, this court could not rule on the weight of the evidence). Accordingly, the judgment of the district court is affirmed. *See* 8th Cir. R. 47B.
