

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

**FILED**  
**SEPT, 8, 2021**

Clerk, U.S. District & Bankruptcy  
Court for the District of Columbia

PATRICK CHRISTIAN,	)	
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Plaintiff,	)	
	)	
v.	)	Civil Action No. 21-2281 (UNA)
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DEMOCRATIC PARTY, <i>et al.</i> ,	)	
	)	
Defendants.	)	

**MEMORANDUM OPINION**

This matter is before the Court on plaintiff's application to proceed *in forma pauperis* and his *pro se* civil complaint. The application will be granted, and the complaint will be dismissed.

According to plaintiff, two political parties are responsible for any number of this nation's ills, to include the ongoing oppression of minorities, the spread of diseases, gerrymandering and politicians' failure to fulfill promises made during campaigns. *See generally* Compl. at 3- 10. Plaintiff brings this action under 18 U.S.C. § 242, *see id.* at 1, and "prays for relief that his intangible property records are made available, so it can be claimed, and all those involved in conspiracy are held accountable," *id.* at 12.

While the Court certainly can understand plaintiff's frustration with the current state of affairs in the country, there is no private right of action under the code provision on which plaintiff relies,. *See Beeson v. South Carolina*, No. 2:16-CV-1164, 2016 WL 4394506, at \*3 (D.S.C. July 13, 2016) (finding that 18 U.S.C. §§ 241, 242, 371, 2384, and 2385 are "criminal statu[t]es that do not give rise to civil liability or authorize a private right of action"), *report and recommendation adopted sub nom. Beeson v. State of South Carolina*, No. 2:16-CV-1164, 2016 WL 4370032 (D.S.C. Aug. 12, 2016); *Rockefeller v. U.S. Court of Appeals Office for Tenth Circuit Judges*, 248

F. Supp. 2d 17, 23 (D.D.C. 2003) (“[T]he plaintiff is precluded from asserting any claims pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §§ 242 and 371 because, as criminal statutes, they do not convey a private right of action.”).

The complaint will be dismissed because it fails to state a claim upon which relief can be granted. An Order consistent with this Memorandum Opinion is issued separately.

DATE: September 8, 2021

/s/

AMY BERMAN JACKSON  
United States District Judge