UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

SHAUN RUSHING,	
Plaintiff,)
V.) Civil Action No. 22-197 (UNA)
ALL MAJOR CREDIT REPORTING AGENCIES,)))
Defendants.)

MEMORANDUM OPINION

Plaintiff, appearing *pro se*, has filed a "Lawsuit 10 count," ECF No. 1, and an application to proceed *in forma pauperis*, ECF No. 3. The Court will grant the *in forma pauperis* application and dismiss the case because the complaint fails to meet the minimal pleading requirements of Rule 8(a) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

Pro se litigants must comply with the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. Jarrell v. Tisch, 656 F. Supp. 237, 239 (D.D.C. 1987). Rule 8(a) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure requires complaints to contain "(1) a short and plain statement of the grounds for the court's jurisdiction [and] (2) a short and plain statement of the claim showing that the pleader is entitled to relief." Fed. R. Civ. P. 8(a); see Ashcroft v. Iqbal, 556 U.S. 662, 678-79 (2009); Ciralsky v. CIA, 355 F.3d 661, 668-71 (D.C. Cir. 2004). The Rule 8 standard ensures that defendants receive fair notice of the claim being asserted so that they can prepare a responsive answer, mount an adequate defense, and determine whether the doctrine of res judicata applies. Brown v. Califano, 75 F.R.D. 497, 498 (D.D.C. 1977). It also assists the Court in determining whether it has jurisdiction over the subject matter.

Plaintiff sues "all major credit reporting agencies," seeking "\$110 Thousand dollars each

count." In the one-page pleading, Plaintiff concludes that he "has been discriminated against" and

suggests that "a bad credit report" has hampered his ability to obtain a loan.

Plaintiff has not stated the basis of federal court jurisdiction, which alone warrants

dismissal of the case. Nevertheless, the conclusory allegations against no specific credit reporting

agency provide inadequate notice of a claim. Consequently, this action will be dismissed. A

separate order accompanies this Memorandum Opinion.

AMIT P. MEHTA

United States District Judge

DATE: March 18, 2022

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