UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

ANDREW QUINN,)
Plaintiff,))
V.)
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE Civil Rights Division,)))
Defendant.)

Civil Action No. 22-cv-2523 (UNA)

MEMORANDUM OPINION

Plaintiff, appearing *pro se*, has filed a Complaint, ECF No. 1, and an application to proceed *in forma pauperis*, ECF No. 2. The Court will grant the application and dismiss this action pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915(e)(2)(B) (requiring immediate dismissal of a case upon a determination that the complaint is frivolous).

Plaintiff, a resident of Fairfax, Virginia, sues the Department of Justice (DOJ). He alleges, to the extent intelligible, that DOJ "stole the complaint," "keep[s] lying and mak[ing] stuff up," and has followed him "across the country" where he has "been living in false imprisonment" and subjected to a camera in a shower, the "taping . . .and hacking" of his phone by drone, and other harassment. Compl. at 1-2.

Complaints premised on fantastic or delusional scenarios or supported wholly by allegations lacking "an arguable basis either in law or in fact" are subject to dismissal as frivolous. *Neitzke v. Williams*, 490 U.S. 319, 325 (1989); *see Denton v. Hernandez*, 504 U.S. 25, 33 (1992) ("[A] finding of factual frivolousness is appropriate when the facts alleged rise to the level of the irrational or the wholly incredible[.]"); *Best v. Kelly*, 39 F.3d 328, 330-31 (D.C. Cir.

1994) (a court may dismiss claims that are "essentially fictitious"-- for example, where they suggest "bizarre conspiracy theories . . . [or] fantastic government manipulations of their will or mind") (citations and internal quotation marks omitted)); *Crisafi v. Holland*, 655 F.2d 1305, 1307-08 (D.C. Cir. 1981) ("A court may dismiss as frivolous complaints . . . postulating events and circumstances of a wholly fanciful kind."). The instant complaint satisfies this standard and therefore will be dismissed by separate order.

Date: September 14, 2022

JIA M. COBB United States District Judge