UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF INDIANA INDIANAPOLIS DIVISION

| DANNY LEROY JOHNSON, |) | |
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| Plaintiff, |) | |
| V. |) | No. 1:23-cv-01258-MPB-MKK |
| DENNIS REAGLE, et al., |) | |
| Defendants. |) | |

ORDER GRANTING IN PART MOTIONS FOR COUNSEL AND DIRECTING CLERK TO REOPEN CASE

This action was dismissed for failure to prosecute after the plaintiff failed to timely respond to the Court's dismissal of his complaint and deadline to file an amended complaint. Dkt. 36.

Approximately two weeks after the case was closed, Mr. Johnson filed a motion to appoint counsel, stating that correctional officers destroyed his amended complaint and denied him access to his legal mail. Dkt. 38.

Given these circumstances, the Court **grants** Mr. Johnson's motions for the appointment of counsel, dkt. [38] and dkt. [40], and motion for extension of time, dkt. [42], to the limited extent that the Court will attempt to recruit counsel to represent for the limited purpose of drafting an amended complaint.

The clerk is directed to reopen this action on the docket. The Magistrate Judge is requested to set a telephonic status conference after counsel is appointed.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: January 6, 2025

Matthew P. Brookman, Judge United States District Court Southern District of Indiana

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Magistrate Judge M. Kendra Klump