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IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS

FOR THE ELEVENTH CIRCUIT

No. 18-12645 Non-Argument Calendar

D.C. Docket No. 0:17-cv-60597-WPD

RAYMOND A. HANNA EL,

Plaintiff-Appellant,

versus

STATE OF FLORIDA, BROWARD COUNTY MUNICIPALITIES, CITY OF LAUDERHILL, CARLOS REBELLO, MICHAEL MAUER, et al.,

Defendants-Appellees.

Appeal from the United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida

(June 18, 2019)

Before ED CARNES, Chief Judge, BRANCH, and FAY, Circuit Judges. PER CURIAM:

Raymond Hanna El, proceeding <u>pro se</u> and <u>in forma pauperis</u> in this 42 U.S.C.§ 1983 suit, appeals the district court's denial of his "Writ to Amend the Record," which the district court construed as a motion to amend. We review only for an abuse of discretion a district court's denial of a motion to amend. <u>Stevens v.</u> <u>Gay</u>, 864 F.2d 113, 116 (11th Cir. 1989). The district court denied Hanna El's motion to amend because the case was closed — and had been for over a year by the time Hanna El filed his motion. That was not an abuse of discretion. <u>See id.</u> ("Undue delay or failure properly to amend a complaint after repeated opportunity to do so . . . constitutes grounds to deny a motion to amend.").

Hanna El also appeals the denial of his "Writ of Error," which the district court construed as a motion for reconsideration. We review only for abuse of discretion the denial of a motion for reconsideration. <u>Richardson v. Johnson</u>, 598 F.3d 734, 740 (11th Cir. 2010) (per curiam). Hanna El's motion appears to have been an effort to relitigate the district court's prior rulings. Because "[a] motion for reconsideration cannot be used to relitigate old matters," <u>id.</u> (quotation marks omitted), the district court did not abuse its discretion by denying Hanna El's motion.

AFFIRMED.

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