

United States Court of Appeals  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA CIRCUIT

No. 19-5232

September Term, 2019

1:19-cv-01569-UNA

Filed On: January 14, 2020

Dennis Andrew Ball,

Appellant

v.

John Does 1-X, et al.,

Appellees

ON APPEAL FROM THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

BEFORE: Katsas and Rao, Circuit Judges, and Sentelle, Senior Circuit Judge

JUDGMENT

This appeal was considered on the record from the United States District Court for the District of Columbia and on the brief filed by appellant. See Fed. R. App. P. 34(a)(2); D.C. Cir. Rule 34(j). It is

**ORDERED AND ADJUDGED** that the district court's order filed August 1, 2019, be affirmed. Because appellant's complaint asserts claims against defendants who were also named as defendants in prior litigation that was decided by the district court, and those claims share a common "nucleus of facts," the district court correctly concluded that the claims against those defendants are barred by the doctrine of res judicata. See Allen v. McCurry, 449 U.S. 90, 94 (1980) ("Under res judicata, a final judgment on the merits of an action precludes the parties or their privies from relitigating issues that were or could have been raised in that action."); Drake v. FAA, 291 F.3d 59, 66 (D.C. Cir. 2002) ("Whether two cases implicate the same cause of action turns on whether they share the same 'nucleus of facts.'"). Moreover, to the extent appellant seeks to compel the United States Attorney for the District of Arizona or any other defendant to initiate criminal proceedings, the district court properly held that "a private citizen lacks a judicially cognizable interest in the prosecution or nonprosecution of another." Linda R.S. v. Richard D., 410 U.S. 614, 619 (1973).

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Pursuant to D.C. Circuit Rule 36, this disposition will not be published. The Clerk is directed to withhold issuance of the mandate herein until seven days after resolution of any timely petition for rehearing or petition for rehearing en banc. See Fed. R. App. P. 41(b); D.C. Cir. Rule 41.

**Per Curiam**

**FOR THE COURT:**  
Mark J. Langer, Clerk

BY: /s/  
Daniel J. Reidy  
Deputy Clerk

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Filed On: March 5, 2020 [1831995]

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Appellant

v.

John Does 1-X, et al.,

Appellees

**MANDATE**

In accordance with the judgment of January 14, 2020, and pursuant to Federal Rule of Appellate Procedure 41, this constitutes the formal mandate of this court.

**FOR THE COURT:**  
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Daniel J. Reidy  
Deputy Clerk

[Link to the judgment filed January 14, 2020](#)

United States Court of Appeals  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA CIRCUIT

No. 19-5232

September Term, 2019

1:19-cv-01569-UNA

Filed On: February 26, 2020

Dennis Andrew Ball,

Appellant

v.

John Does 1-X, et al.,

Appellees

**BEFORE:** Srinivasan, Chief Judge, Henderson, Rogers, Tatel, Garland, Griffith, Millett, Pillard, Wilkins, Katsas, and Rao, Circuit Judges, and Sentelle, Senior Circuit Judge

**ORDER**

Upon consideration of the petition for rehearing en banc, and the absence of a request by any member of the court for a vote, it is

**ORDERED** that the petition be denied.

**Per Curiam**

**FOR THE COURT:**  
Mark J. Langer, Clerk

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Daniel J. Reidy  
Deputy Clerk

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John Does 1-X *et al.*, )  
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Defendants. )

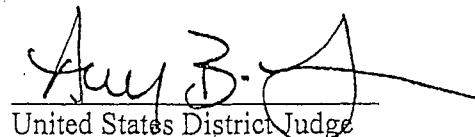
ORDER

Upon consideration of the plaintiff's motion to proceed *in forma pauperis* and the accompanying pleading entitled "Probable Cause Criminal Complaint," it is

**ORDERED** that Plaintiff's motion to proceed *in forma pauperis* [Dkt. # 2] is GRANTED; and it is further

**ORDERED** that the complaint and this case are DISMISSED with prejudice, substantially for the reasons stated in *Ball v. Does 1-X*, No. 18-cv-2667 (UNA) (D.D.C. filed Jan. 18, 2019) (attached), but also because "a private citizen lacks a judicially cognizable interest in the [criminal] prosecution or nonprosecution of another." *Linda R.S. v. Richard D.*, 410 U.S. 614, 619 (1973).

This is a final appealable Order.

  
United States District Judge

Date: July 30, 2019