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FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

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U.S. COURT OF APPEALS

STEVE WILHELM,

No. 15-16925

Plaintiff-Appellant,

D.C. No. 1:10-cv-00001-DLB

v.

MEMORANDUM\*

ARON ROTMAN, Dr.; et al.,

Defendants-Appellees.

Appeal from the United States District Court  
for the Eastern District of California  
Dennis L. Beck, Magistrate Judge, Presiding\*\*

Submitted February 14, 2017\*\*\*

Before: GOODWIN, FARRIS, and FERNANDEZ, Circuit Judges.

California state prisoner Steve Wilhelm appeals pro se from the district court's summary judgment in his 42 U.S.C. § 1983 action alleging deliberate indifference to his serious medical needs. We have jurisdiction under 28 U.S.C.

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\* This disposition is not appropriate for publication and is not precedent except as provided by Ninth Circuit Rule 36-3.

\*\* The parties consented to proceed before a magistrate judge. *See* 28 U.S.C. § 636(c).

\*\*\* The panel unanimously concludes this case is suitable for decision without oral argument. *See* Fed. R. App. P. 34(a)(2).

§ 1291. We review de novo. *Toguchi v. Chung*, 391 F.3d 1051, 1056 (9th Cir. 2004). We affirm.

The district court properly granted summary judgment for defendant Rotman because Wilhelm failed to raise a genuine dispute of material fact as to whether Rotman was deliberately indifferent by causing a delay in Wilhelm's hernia treatment. *See Jett v. Penner*, 439 F.3d 1091, 1096 (9th Cir. 2006) (deliberate indifference requires showing of harm "caused by" the alleged indifference); *Hallett v. Morgan*, 296 F.3d 732, 746 (9th Cir. 2002) (prisoner alleging deliberate indifference based on delay in treatment must show that delay led to further injury); *McGuckin v. Smith*, 974 F.2d 1050, 1060 (9th Cir. 1992) ("A defendant must purposefully ignore or fail to respond to a prisoner's pain or possible medical need in order for deliberate indifference to be established."), *overruled on other grounds by WMX Techs., Inc. v. Miller*, 104 F.3d 1133 (9th Cir. 1997) (en banc).

Wilhelm's request for entry of default judgment, set forth in his reply brief, is denied.

**AFFIRMED.**