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FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

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U.S. COURT OF APPEALS

MAZEN ARAKJI,

No. 18-16587

Plaintiff-Appellant,

D.C. No. 3:18-cv-03192-VC

v.

MEMORANDUM*

GOODWILL OF SILICON VALLEY,

Defendant-Appellee.

Appeal from the United States District Court
for the Northern District of California
Vince Chhabria, District Judge, Presiding

Submitted July 19, 2021**

Before: SCHROEDER, SILVERMAN, and MURGUIA, Circuit Judges.

Mazen Arakji appeals pro se from the district court's judgment dismissing his action alleging federal and state law employment claims. We have jurisdiction under 28 U.S.C. § 1291. We review for an abuse of discretion a dismissal of an

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

action as frivolous under 28 U.S.C. § 1915(e)(2)(i). *Denton v. Hernandez*, 504 U.S. 25, 33 (1992). We affirm.

The district court did not abuse its discretion in dismissing Arakji's action as frivolous because his damages request of \$155 billion was unsupported by Arakji's claims. *See Neitzke v. Williams*, 490 U.S. 319, 325 (1989).

We do not consider matters not specifically and distinctly raised and argued in the opening brief, or arguments and allegations raised for the first time on appeal. *See Padgett v. Wright*, 587 F.3d 983, 985 n.2 (9th Cir. 2009).

AFFIRMED.