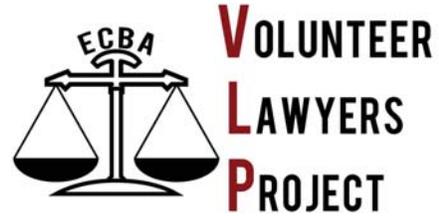




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IN SECTION 1983 CIVIL RIGHTS LITIGATION**

October 21, 2020

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