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U.S. COURT OF APPEALS

WENDLE V. LEHNERD,

No. 15-16641

Plaintiff-Appellant,

D.C. No. 2:14-cv-01811-SPL

v.

MEMORANDUM\*

MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC  
REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC.; BANK  
OF NEW YORK MELLON CORP.,

Defendants-Appellees.

Appeal from the United States District Court  
for the District of Arizona  
Steven Paul Logan, District Judge, Presiding

Submitted April 11, 2017\*\*

Before: GOULD, CLIFTON, and HURWITZ, Circuit Judges.

Wendle V. Lehnerd appeals pro se from the district court's judgment dismissing his diversity action arising from foreclosure proceedings. We review de novo questions of our own jurisdiction. *Hunt v. Imperial Merchant Servs., Inc.*,

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

560 F.3d 1137, 1140 (9th Cir. 2009). We dismiss the appeal.

Lehnerd failed to obtain injunctive relief before the trustee's sale of the property, and he therefore waived any defenses and objections to the sale. *See* Ariz. Rev. Stat. § 33–811(C) (defenses and objections to a trustee's sale are waived if they are not raised in an action resulting in injunctive relief before the sale); *BT Capital, LLC v. TD Serv. Co. of Ariz.*, 275 P.3d 598, 600 (Ariz. 2012) (en banc) (once a trustee's sale is completed, “a person subject to § 33–811(C) cannot later challenge the sale based on pre-sale defenses or objections”). Because the foreclosure sale has been completed, we cannot grant Lehnerd any effective relief and dismiss Lehnerd's appeal as moot. *See Am. Cas. Co. of Reading, Pa. v. Baker*, 22 F.3d 880, 896 (9th Cir. 1994) (a case is moot when there is no longer a present controversy as to which effective relief can be granted).

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

**DISMISSED.**