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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

IVAN ROTARU,
RAISA ROTARU,

Plaintiffs,

No. CIV S-10-3036 WBS EFB PS

vs.

PNC MORTGAGE; CAL-WESTERN
RECONVEYANCE; NATIONAL
CITY MORTGAGE,

Defendants.

ORDER AND
FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

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This case, in which plaintiffs are proceeding *pro se*, is before the undersigned pursuant to Eastern District of California Local Rule 302(c)(21). *See* 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1). On November 10, 2010, defendant PNC Bank, National Association, as successor by merger to National City Bank, previously dba National City Mortgage (named as “PNC Mortgage” and “National City Mortgage”) (“PNC”) removed this action from Sacramento County Superior Court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331, 1441, and 1446, on the ground that plaintiffs’ complaint alleges federal claims. Dckt. No. 1. Then, on November 17, 2010, PNC moved to dismiss and to strike the complaint and noticed the motions to be heard on December 29, 2010. Dckt. Nos. 12, 13.

On December 22, 2010, because plaintiffs had not filed either an opposition or a statement of non-opposition to the motions, the undersigned continued the hearing on the

1 motions to February 16, 2011; ordered plaintiffs to show cause, in writing, no later than February
2 2, 2011, why sanctions should not be imposed for failure to timely file an opposition or a
3 statement of non-opposition to the pending motions; and directed plaintiffs to file an opposition
4 to the motions, or a statement of non-opposition thereto, no later than February 2, 2011. Dckt.
5 No. 16. The undersigned further stated that “[f]ailure of plaintiffs to file an opposition will be
6 deemed a statement of non-opposition to the pending motions, and may result in a
7 recommendation that this action be dismissed for lack of prosecution. *See* Fed. R. Civ. P.
8 41(b).” *Id.*

9 Although the deadlines have now passed, the court docket reflects that plaintiffs have not
10 filed a response to the order to show cause, an opposition to the motions, or a statement of non-
11 opposition to the motions. In light of plaintiffs’ failures, the undersigned will recommend that
12 this action be dismissed for failure to prosecute the action and to comply with court orders and
13 Local Rules and that PNC’s motions to dismiss and to strike be denied as moot. *See* Fed. R. Civ.
14 P. 41(b); L.R. 110.

15 Accordingly, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

16 1. The hearing date of February 16, 2011 on PNC’s motions to dismiss and to strike,
17 Dckt. Nos. 12 and 13, is vacated; and

18 2. The status (pretrial scheduling) conference currently set for hearing on March 30,
19 2011, is vacated.¹

20 IT IS FURTHER RECOMMENDED that:

21 1. This action be dismissed pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 41(b), based on
22 plaintiffs’ failure to prosecute the action and to comply with court orders and Local Rules;

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24 ¹ As a result, the parties are not required to submit status reports as provided in the
25 November 18, 2010 order. *See* Dckt. No. 14. However, if the recommendation of dismissal
26 herein is not adopted by the district judge, the undersigned will reschedule the status conference
and require the parties to submit status reports.

- 1 2. PNC's motions to dismiss and to strike, Dckt. Nos. 12 and 13, be denied as moot; and
2 3. The Clerk be directed to close this case.

3 These findings and recommendations are submitted to the United States District Judge
4 assigned to the case, pursuant to the provisions of 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1). Within fourteen days
5 after being served with these findings and recommendations, any party may file written
6 objections with the court and serve a copy on all parties. Such a document should be captioned
7 "Objections to Magistrate Judge's Findings and Recommendations." Failure to file objections
8 within the specified time may waive the right to appeal the District Court's order. *Turner v.*
9 *Duncan*, 158 F.3d 449, 455 (9th Cir. 1998); *Martinez v. Ylst*, 951 F.2d 1153 (9th Cir. 1991).

10 DATED: February 7, 2011.

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12 EDMUND F. BRENNAN
13 UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE
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