

The Court will remand this unlawful detainer action to state court summarily because it has been removed improperly.

On November 29, 2012, defendants Rachel Cordero, Eva Cordero and Anna Arreaga, having been sued in what appears to be a routine unlawful detainer action in California state court, lodged a Notice of Removal of that action to this Court. Defendant Anna Arreaga also presented an application to proceed in forma pauperis. The Court has denied defendant Arreaga's application to proceed in forma pauperis 24 under separate cover because the action was not properly removed. To prevent the 25 action from remaining in jurisdictional limbo, the Court issues this Order to remand 26 27 the action to state court.

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Simply stated, plaintiff could not have brought this action in federal court in

the first place, in that defendants do not competently allege facts supplying either
diversity or federal-question jurisdiction, and therefore removal is improper. 28
U.S.C. §1441(a); see Exxon Mobil Corp v. Allapattah Svcs., Inc., 545 U.S. 546, 563,
125 S. Ct. 2611, 162 L. Ed. 2d 502 (2005). Even if complete diversity of citizenship
exists, the amount in controversy does not exceed the diversity-jurisdiction threshold
of \$75,000. See 28 U.S.C. §§ 1332, 1441(b). On the contrary, the unlawful-detainer
complaint recites that the amount in controversy does not exceed \$10,000.

Nor does plaintiff's unlawful detainer action raise any federal legal question. See 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331, 1441(b).

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED that (1) this matter be REMANDED to the
Superior Court of San Bernardino County, 17780 Arrow Highway, Fontana, CA
92336, for lack of subject matter jurisdiction pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1447(c); (2) that
the Clerk send a certified copy of this Order to the state court; and (3) that the Clerk
serve copies of this Order on the parties.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

2/10/12 DATED:

GEORGE H. KING CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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David T. Bristow United States Magistrate Judge