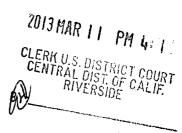
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## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

MARTINGALE INVESTMENTS, LLC,

Plaintiff,
v.

ARGIRIOS NOTIS,
Defendant.

Case No. EDCV 13-367-UA (DUTYx)

ORDER RE: SUMMARY REMAND DUE TO IMPROPER REMOVAL

On February 27, 2013, Argirios Notis lodged a Notice of Removal and an application to proceed *in forma pauperis*. Plaintiff brought suit in a straight-forward unlawful detainer action in the San Bernardino County Superior Court. The Court has denied the aforementioned application under separate cover because this action was not properly removed. As a result, the Court issues this Order to remand the action to state court.

Plaintiff could not have brought this action in federal court based on federal question jurisdiction because the underlying matter is a straight-forward unlawful detainer action. 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331, 1441(a). Further, assuming a claim of diversity jurisdiction was to be asserted as a basis for removal, the Court notes that the amount in

controversy in the unlawful detainer action does not exceed \$75,000, excluding interest and costs. 28 U.S.C. §§ 1332(a), 1441(b). Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED that (1) this matter be REMANDED to the Superior Court of California, San Bernardino County, 14455 Civic Drive, Victorville, California 92392, 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. Chief United States District Judge Presented by: United States Magistrate Judge