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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**

WILLIAM BARKETT, et al.	)	Case No.: 1:14-cv-01698 - LJO - JLT
	)	
Plaintiffs,	)	ORDER DENYING DEFENDANTS’ MOTION TO
	)	QUASH SERVICE OF SUMMONS AND
v.	)	COMPLAINT FOR LACK OF JURISDICTION
	)	
SENTOSA PROPERTIES, LLC, et al.	)	
	)	
Defendants.	)	
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Prior to the removal of the action, defendants Arnold Huang, Elizabeth Huang and Eugene Wong moved to quash service of Plaintiffs’ Summons and Complaint for lack of personal jurisdiction. (Doc. 1-4 at 38.) Since the action was removed from Kern County Superior Court to the District Court on October 29, 2014, whether the state court has jurisdiction over the defendants is now a moot issue.

According to the Ninth Circuit, “The state court process becomes null and void on the date the action is removed to the federal court.” *Beecher v. Wallace*, 381 F.2d 372, 373 (1967). Moreover, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §1448, in all removed cases “in which any one or more of the defendants has not been served with process or in which the service has not been perfected prior to removal, or in which process served proves to be defective, such process or service may be completed or new process issued in the same manner as in cases originally filed in such district court.” Consequently, any defect in service may be cured following the removal of an action when a defendant “has not been served at all with state process.” *Beecher*, 381 F.2d at 373.

