

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

HUSSEIN OSMAN ALI,	Case No. 1:17-cv-00494-DAD-SAB
Plaintiff,	ORDER DIRECTING CLERK OF COURT TO CLOSE CASE AND ADJUST DOCKET
V.	TO REFLECT VOLUNTARY DISMISSAL
EARLY WARNING SERVICES, LLC,	(ECF No. 14)
Defendant.	

On March 2, 2017, Plaintiff filed the complaint in this action in the Superior Court of California, County of Fresno. (ECF No. 1-1.) On April 7, 2017, Defendant removed this action to the United States District Court for the Eastern District of California. (ECF No. 1.) On May 2, 2017, Plaintiff filed a notice of voluntary dismissal pursuant to Rule 41(a)(1)(A)(i) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

"[U]nder Rule 41(a)(1)(A)(i), 'a plaintiff has an absolute right to voluntarily dismiss his action prior to service by the defendant of an answer or a motion for summary judgment.' "

Commercial Space Mgmt. Co., Inc. v. Boeing Co., Inc., 193 F.3d 1074, 1077 (9th Cir. 1999) (quoting Wilson v. City of San Jose, 111 F.3d 688, 692 (9th Cir. 1997)). The Ninth Circuit has held that Rule 41(a) allows a plaintiff to dismiss without a court order any defendant who has yet to serve an answer or motion for summary judgment. Pedrina v. Chun, 987 F.2d 608, 609 (9th Cir. 1993). "[A] dismissal under Rule 41(a)(1) is effective on filing, no court order is required,

the parties are left as though no action had been brought, the defendant can't complain, and the district court lacks jurisdiction to do anything about it." <u>Commercial Space Mgmt. Co., Inc.</u>, 193 F.3d at 1078. In this action, Defendant has not filed an answer or motion for summary judgment.

Accordingly, the Clerk of the Court is HEREBY ORDERED to CLOSE the file in this case and adjust the docket to reflect voluntary dismissal of this action pursuant to Rule 41(a). It is FURTHER ORDERED that all pending dates and matters in this action are VACATED.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: May 3, 2017

UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE