1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 9 EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 10 BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF IBEW LOCAL Case No. 1:17-cv-01496-DAD-SAB 11 UNION NO. 100 PENSION TRUST FUND, 12 ORDER DIRECTING CLERK OF COURT et al., TO CLOSE CASE AND ADJUST DOCKET 13 Plaintiffs, TO REFLECT VOLUNTARY DISMISSAL WITHOUT PREJUDICE 14 v. (ECF No. 14) 15 INDUSTRIAL ELECTRICAL SERVICES INC., 16 Defendant. 17 18 This action was filed on November 6, 2017. (ECF No. 1.) Default was entered against 19 Defendant Industrial Electrical Services Inc. on January 8, 2018. On June 1, 2018, Plaintiff filed 20 a notice of voluntary dismissal pursuant to Rule 41(a)(1) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. 21 "[U]nder Rule 41(a)(1)(A)(i), 'a plaintiff has an absolute right to voluntarily dismiss his 22 action prior to service by the defendant of an answer or a motion for summary judgment." 23 Commercial Space Mgmt. Co., Inc. v. Boeing Co., Inc., 193 F.3d 1074, 1077 (9th Cir. 1999) 24

(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,

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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, no defendant has filed an answer or other responsive pleading.

Accordingly, the Clerk of the Court is HEREBY ORDERED to CLOSE the file in this case and adjust the docket to reflect voluntary dismissal without prejudice of this action pursuant to Rule 41(a).

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: **June 4, 2018** 

UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE