1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 9 EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 10 DARIN FORD, Case No. 1:18-cv-00834-DAD-SAB 11 12 Plaintiff, ORDER DIRECTING CLERK OF COURT TO CLOSE CASE AND ADJUST DOCKET 13 TO REFLECT VOLUNTARY DISMISSAL v. 14 UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE, et al., ORDER VACATING ALL PENDING **MATTERS AND DATES** 15 Defendants. (ECF No. 6) 16 This action was filed on June 19, 2018. (ECF No. 1.) On July 24, 2018, Plaintiff filed a 17 notice of voluntary dismissal without prejudice pursuant to Rule 41(a)(1) of the Federal Rules of 18 Civil Procedure. 19 "[U]nder Rule 41(a)(1)(A)(i), 'a plaintiff has an absolute right to voluntarily dismiss his 20 action prior to service by the defendant of an answer or a motion for summary judgment.' " 21 Commercial Space Mgmt. Co., Inc. v. Boeing Co., Inc., 193 F.3d 1074, 1077 (9th Cir. 1999) 22 23

(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." Commercial Space Mgmt. Co., Inc., 193

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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 of this action pursuant to Rule 41(a). Further, all pending matters and dates are VACATED. IT IS SO ORDERED. Dated: July 25, 2018 UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE