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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

No. 2:11-cv-01957-MCE-KJN

ORDER DISMISSING CASE

JOSEPH J. WELCH, JR., Individually and on behalf of the People of the State of California,

Plaintiff,

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WILLIAM C. VICKREY, Individually and in his capacity as Administrative Director of the Administrative Office of the Courts; THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF

SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, Individually and in their capacity as Supreme Court Justices; and DOES 1-300,

Defendants.

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The present case, which challenges the California judiciary's funding of new courthouse direction, was filed on July 25, 2011 and has never been served. On June 21, 2012, this Court issued an Order to Show Cause ("OSC") as to why the action should not be terminated due to its inactivity.

That OSC prompted Plaintiff's counsel, Dennis Fleming, to file, on July 10, 2012, the Motion to Dismiss now before the Court. Attorney Fleming requests a voluntary termination of these proceedings because of the lack of funding and resources sufficient to proceed in a competent matter. (Pl.'s Mot., 1:25-28).

Because no party has appeared, under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 41(a) Plaintiff could have terminated this matter by the filing of a notice of dismissal. The Court will construe Plaintiff's Motion (ECF No. 8) as a request for voluntary dismissal and as such it will be GRANTED. The Clerk of Court is hereby directed to close this file.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: August 21, 2012

MORRISON C. ENGLAND, (R.)
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE