

United States District Court
For the Northern District of California

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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
SAN JOSE DIVISION**

INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF)
ELECTRICAL WORKERS DISTRICT 9)
PENSION PLAN; NORTHERN CALIFORNIA-)
NORTHERN NEVADA SOUND &)
COMMUNICATION DISTRICT NO. 9)
HEALTH & WELFARE TRUST FUND;)
NORTHERN CALIFORNIA-NORTHERN)
NEVADA SOUND & COMMUNICATION)
DISTRICT NO. 9 APPRENTICESHIP &)
TRAINING COMMITTEE; JOHN O’ROURKE,)
as Trustee of the above,)

Plaintiffs,)

v.)

SOLANO COMMUNICATIONS, INC., a)
California corporation,)

Defendant.)

Case No.: 10-CV-01280-LHK

ORDER GRANTING MOTION TO
ENTER STIPULATED JUDGMENT

On November 18, 2010, the parties filed a Stipulation for Contingent Order of Dismissal (“2010 Stipulation”), indicating that they had settled this case and had agreed to dismiss it without prejudice, and that Plaintiffs could reopen the case if necessary to enforce the parties’ Settlement Agreement. ECF No. 21. The Settlement Agreement also provided that if proceedings are commenced to enforce a provision of the Agreement, the prevailing party is entitled to receive all costs and expenses, including reasonable attorneys’ fees. Id., Exh. A, ¶ 5.

1 On November 22, 2010, the Court entered a Contingent Order of Dismissal, dismissing the
2 action without prejudice. ECF No. 23. That Order provided that the Court would reopen the case
3 if any party certified that the consideration set forth in the settlement had not been delivered. *Id.*
4 On October 16, 2012, Plaintiffs filed a motion to reopen the case (“Motion to Reopen”),
5 accompanied by the required proofs of service, and declarations certifying that Defendant had
6 failed to make required payments. See ECF Nos. 28; 29; 30; 35. On December 10, 2012, the Court
7 ordered that this action be reopened. ECF No. 36.

8 The parties’ 2010 Stipulation had also provided: “If the settlement payments are not made
9 in a timely fashion or if the Settlement Agreement is otherwise breached, Plaintiffs can file a
10 Stipulation for Entry of Judgment attached to the Settlement Agreement as Exhibit ‘A’. The Court
11 shall then Order the Entry of Judgment.” ECF No. 21 at 2.

12 In Plaintiffs’ October 16, 2012 Motion to Reopen, Plaintiffs sought entry of judgment
13 pursuant to the Stipulation. See ECF No. 35. However, the Court found that Plaintiffs’ proposed
14 order entering judgment was not in the form of the stipulated judgment that the parties had
15 included in their 2010 Stipulation. ECF No. 36 (citing ECF No. 21 at 8). The Court also expressed
16 concern that Plaintiffs’ counsel had indicated uncertainty as to the precise amount of fees to be
17 awarded. *Id.* (citing ECF No. 29 at 4). The Court allowed Plaintiffs to “insert the appropriate
18 amount and file the stipulated judgment with appropriate documentation of the precise amount due
19 by December 17, 2012.” *Id.*

20 On December 17, 2012, Plaintiffs filed a copy of the “Stipulation for Entry of Judgment”
21 that had been included in their original 2010 Stipulation. See ECF No. 38 (Stipulation for Entry of
22 Judgment originally included in ECF No. 21). Plaintiffs filled in the appropriate blank space for
23 the amount of judgment with the figure \$18,970.56. ECF No. 38 at 2. Plaintiffs also included two
24 attachments, one entitled “Solano Communications,” ECF No. 38-1, and the other entitled “Legal
25 Insight Inquiry: Case Activity,” ECF No. 38-2. The filing did not include any explanation of what
26 these two attachments represent, or how the contents of these attachments related to the requested
27 \$18,970.56.

1 On May 28, 2013, the Court ordered Plaintiffs to file a declaration explaining how the
2 requested \$18,970.56 was calculated, by June 11, 2013. ECF No. 39. The Court ordered
3 Defendant to file any objections or request for a hearing on this matter by June 25, 2013. Id.

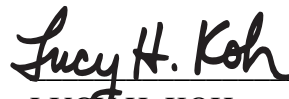
4 On June 11, 2013, Plaintiffs' counsel Chloe Quail filed a Declaration in support of
5 Plaintiff's request to enter stipulated judgment. ECF No. 40 ("Quail Declaration"). The Quail
6 Declaration states that Defendant failed to comply with the monthly payment plan set forth in the
7 parties' Settlement Agreement. Id. ¶¶ 4-6. Plaintiffs attached to the Quail Declaration copies of
8 the delinquency tracking documents, prepared by Plaintiffs' third party administrator, indicating
9 that \$3,789.51 in principal and liquidated damages remains outstanding. See id. ¶ 10-11, and Exh.
10 B.¹ Plaintiffs also asserted that they have incurred \$2,007.50 in attorneys' fees since the breach of
11 the Settlement Agreement. Id. ¶ 9, and Exh. A. Accordingly, Plaintiffs revised their Stipulated
12 Entry of Judgment to reflect the new amount owing of \$5,797.01, which reflects the \$3,789.51 in
13 principal and liquidated damages, and \$2,007.50 in attorneys' fees. Id. ¶ 11. Plaintiffs' counsel
14 also stated that Defendant has "acknowledged its remaining debt." Id. ¶ 11.

15 As of July 8, 2013, Defendant has not filed any opposition or request for hearing.
16 Accordingly, the Court hereby enters judgment against Defendant in the amount of \$5,797.01,
17 pursuant to the Stipulated Entry of Judgment filed on June 11, 2013. See ECF No. 40-3.

18 The Clerk shall close the file.

19 **IT IS SO ORDERED.**

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21 Dated: July 8, 2013



22 LUCY H. KOH
23 United States District Judge

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27 ¹ Plaintiffs note that this number is reduced from the amount initially requested in their Motion to
28 Reopen, because Defendant made "significant payments towards its debt" between the filing of the
Motion to Reopen in October of 2012, and the filing of the Quail Declaration in June of 2013. See
Quail Declaration, ¶ 10.