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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

TMT INVESTMENTS PLC, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

JOHN DOE, 1-10,

Defendants.

No. 14-cv-5323 HRL

**ORDER DISMISSING FOR FAILURE
TO PROSECUTE**

Re: Dkt. Nos. 11, 14

United States District Court
Northern District of California

Plaintiffs TMT Investments PLC, German Kaplun, and Alexander Morgulchik sued ten anonymous John Does in December 2014 for defamation, invasion of privacy, interference with business relations, and trademark infringement. Plaintiffs base their claims on the contents of blogs published online at armdconflict.wordpress.com and tmtinvestments.wordpress.com, as well as on the similar contents of facebook.com/tmtinvestments. Plaintiffs expressly consented to magistrate jurisdiction and applied for expedited discovery of Defendants’ identities. On April 8, 2015, the court denied Plaintiffs’ application without prejudice for failure to show good cause.

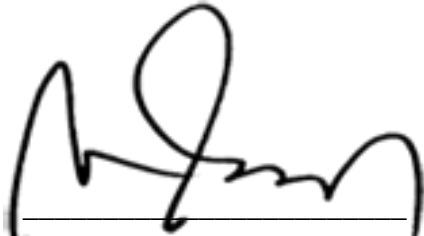
Plaintiffs did not reapply for expedited discovery or serve any defendants. On June 26 the court ordered Plaintiffs to show cause why the case should not be dismissed for failure to prosecute. Dkt. No. 11. The Order to Show Cause required Plaintiffs to file a Response no later than July 21, 2015, and to appear for a hearing on July 28, 2015. Plaintiffs filed their Response on July 23 and asserted persistent attempts to identify the Doe defendants, but did not appear for the show-cause hearing on July 28. The court continued the hearing to August 25, 2015, and ordered Plaintiffs’ counsel to be prepared with a detailed and specific description of ongoing efforts to serve the defendants. Dkt. No. 14. Counsel did not appear on August 25. Plaintiffs have failed to

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show cause why this case should not be dismissed for failure to prosecute; the court therefore dismisses this case without prejudice.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: August 31, 2015



HOWARD R. LLOYD
United States Magistrate Judge