UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA FORT MYERS DIVISION

MICKEY R. JONES,	
Plaintiff,	
v.	Case No: 2:13-cv-843-FtM-38CM
GMAC MORTGAGE LLC and	

EQUIFAX INFORMATION SERVICES, LLC,

Defendants.

ORDER¹

This matter comes before the Court on Joint Stipulation of Dismissal with Prejudice (Doc. #32) filed on March 13, 2014. Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 41(a)(1)(A), allows a plaintiff to dismiss a case without a court order. The Rule reads in pertinent part:

Subject to Rules 23(e), 23.1, 23.2 and 66 and any applicable federal statute, the plaintiff may dismiss an action without a court order by filing:

- (i) A notice of dismissal before the opposing party serves either an answer or a motion for summary judgment; or
- (ii) A stipulation of dismissal signed by all parties who have appeared.

Fed. R. Civ. P. 41(a)(1)(A).

In this instance, Plaintiff Mikey R. Jones and Defendant Equifax Information Services, LLC indicate that this matter is dismissed with prejudice, with regard to

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Defendant Equifax Information Services, LLC only. This stipulation of dismissal is signed

by these two parties but not Defendant GMAC Mortgage, LLC. Accordingly, this notice is

insufficient to dismiss this matter against Defendant Equifax Information Services, LLC

pursuant to Rule 41(a)(1). Nonetheless, the Court will construe the notice as a Rule

41(a)(2) motion. And upon consideration of the motion, the Court will dismiss this matter

with prejudice with regard to Defendant Equifax Information Services, LLC. Each party is

to bear its own costs. The Court notes that a controversy remains between Plaintiff Mickey

R. Jones and Defendant GMAC Mortgage, LLC.

Accordingly, it is now

ORDERED:

(1) Pursuant to Rule 41(a)(2), this action is **DISMISSED** with prejudice with

regard to Defendant Equifax Information Services, LLC only.

(2) The Clerk is directed to terminate Defendant Equifax Information Services, LLC

from this action.

(3) This matter is **STAYED** pursuant to the remaining Defendant GMAC Mortgage,

LLC's Suggestion of Bankruptcy. (See Doc. #22).

(4) The Clerk is directed to add a stay flag to the docket.

(5) Defendant GMAC Mortgage, LLC shall inform the Court in writing as soon as

its bankruptcy proceeding is completed.

DONE and **ORDERED** in Fort Myers, Florida this 17th day of March, 2014.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

Copies: All Parties of Record

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