In the United States District Court for the Southern District of Georgia Waycross Division

JANE DOE,

Plaintiff,

v.

CV 5:24-005

COFFEE REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER, INC.,

Defendant.

ORDER

Plaintiff Jane Doe initiated this civil action in the Superior Court of Coffee County, Georgia, on December 9, 2023. See Dkt. No. 1-1 at 1. On January 16, 2024, Defendant Coffee Regional Medical Center removed the case to this Court. Dkt. No. 1. Then, on January 23, 2024, Defendant timely moved to dismiss the complaint. Dkt. No. 6. On February 6, 2024, Plaintiff filed an amended complaint. Dkt. No. 17. For the reasons below, Defendant's motion to dismiss is **DENIED as moot**.

LEGAL STANDARD

A party may amend its pleading once as a matter of course "within 21 days after serving it" or, "if a responsive pleading is required, within 21 days after service of a responsive pleading or motion under Rule 12(b), (e), or (f) [of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure], whichever is earlier." Fed. R. Civ. P. 15(a)(1). An amended pleading "supersedes the former pleading" such that "the

original pleading is abandoned by the amendment, and is no longer a part of the pleader's averments against his adversary." Dresdner Bank AG v. M/V Olympia Voyager, 463 F.3d 1210, 1215 (11th Cir. 2006) (internal quotation marks and citation omitted); see also Fritz v. Standard Sec. Life Ins. Co., 676 F.2d 1356, 1358 (11th Cir. 1982) (citations omitted) ("Under the Federal Rules, an amended complaint supersedes the original complaint.").

DISCUSSION

Plaintiff timely filed her amended complaint as a matter of course pursuant to Rule 15(a)(1). Further, Plaintiff's amended complaint supersedes her original complaint. Defendant's motion to dismiss the original complaint, dkt. no. 8, has thus been rendered moot by Plaintiff's filing of her amended complaint. Should Defendant wish to renew its motion to dismiss with regard to the amended complaint, it is granted leave to do so within the time prescribed by the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

CONCLUSION

Defendant's motion to dismiss the original complaint, dkt. no. 6, is **DENIED** as moot.

so ordered, this $\frac{1}{2}$ day of February, 29/24.

HON. LISA GODBEY WOOD, JUDGE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA