UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT MIDDLE DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA

JACOBE SHANNON

CIVIL ACTION

**VERSUS** 

16-336-SDD-RLB

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND DAISY ROBERTS

RULING

This matter is before the Court on the Motion to Dismiss Daisy Roberts1 filed by Defendant, United States of America. Although Plaintiff Jacobe Shannon ("Plaintiff") filed

an Opposition2 out of an abundance of caution, Plaintiff has no opposition to dismissing

the individual Defendant Daisy Roberts only from this case as required by the law.3 The

Court finds that the Defendant's motion seeks to dismiss only Daisy Roberts from this

action, not the United States.

This case is brought under the Federal Tort Claims Act ("FTCA")4 and arises out

of a vehicular accident between Plaintiff and Daisy Roberts, who was driving in the course

and scope of her employment with the United States Postal Service at the time of the

accident. The FTCA clearly precludes actions against federal employees and makes

<sup>1</sup> Rec. Doc. No. 13.

<sup>2</sup> Rec. Doc. No. 15.

3 Id. at p. 1.

4 28 U.S.C. § 1346(b)(1).

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clear that the United States is the only proper defendant in such actions.<sup>5</sup>

Accordingly, the United States' *Motion to Dismiss Daisy Roberts*<sup>6</sup> is GRANTED, and Defendant Daisy Roberts is dismissed from this action without prejudice.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Baton Rouge, Louisiana, this 2 day of January, 2017.

SHELLY D. DICK, DISTRICT JUDGE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Atorie Air v. FAA, 942 F.2d 954, 957 (5th Cir. 1991); Galvin v. O.S.H.A., 860 F.2d 181, 183 (5th Cir. 1988).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Rec. Doc. No. 13.