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Actually, this might be more proper for a Rule 21, which the court may do sua sponte. The problem with a Rule 41 is the confusion whether it is a dismissal of a party or the action. Rule 21 looks to us to be the better route.

RULE 21. MISJOINDER AND NONJOINDER OF PARTIES

Misjoinder of parties is not a ground for dismissing an action. On motion or on its own, the court may at any time, on just terms, add or drop a party. The court may also sever any claim against a party.

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Can Plaintiffs not just file a Rule 41(a)(1)(A)(i) notice of dismissal since the opposing party, Hendrickson, has not filed an answer?

RULE 41. DISMISSAL OF ACTIONS

- (a) Voluntary Dismissal.
 - (1) By the Plaintiff.

- (A) Without a Court Order. Subject to Rules 23(e), 23.1(c), 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.

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Thank you,

The Court would need a Stipulated Order Dismissing that party.

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Dear Ms. Saulsberry:

We learned early on in this litigation that there was no Gary Hendrickson at SMART. The general manager during the relevant time was/is John Hertel, who is a party in this case. Consequently, other than being named in the original complaint, Gary Hendrickson was never served and thus never a party to this litigation.

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Dear Counsel,

Please advise the Court as to the status of defendant Gary Hendrickson.

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