UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN SOUTHERN DIVISION

FRANK SWEET,	
Plaintiff,	
V.	Case No. 17-13699
EMPIRE AUTO SOLUTIONS, LLC, et al.,	
Defendants.	

ORDER DENYING AS MOOT PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR ATTORNEY'S FEES AND NON-TAXABLE COSTS

Plaintiff filed a motion for attorney's fees and non-taxable costs. (ECF No. 38.) The motion related to a default judgment entered against Defendants for unsolicited commercial telephone calls. (ECF No. 36.) The default judgment specified that "Plaintiff's Counsel shall submit [a] petition for fees and bill of costs within 28 days of entry of this Order." (*Id.*, PageID.333.)

The default judgment was entered on July 25, 2019. Plaintiff filed his motion on September 17, 2019, fifty-four days later. The court ordered that Plaintiff show cause as to why it should consider his motion, given that it was twenty-six days late. Plaintiff responded, stating that he "cannot satisfy the standards of good cause or excusable neglect to permit the court to consider the otherwise untimely Motion." (ECF No. 40, PageID.548.)

Plaintiff has withdrawn his motion for attorney's fees and non-taxable costs. (*Id.*)

There is nothing more for the court to decide and the motion is now moot. *United States*

v. City of Detroit, 401 F.3d 448, 450 (6th Cir. 2005) (quoting Cleveland Branch, N.A.A.C.P. v. City of Parma, 263 F.3d 513, 530 (6th Cir. 2001) ("A federal court has no authority to render a decision upon moot questions A case becomes moot when

the issues presented are no longer live or parties lack a legally cognizable interest in the

outcome."). Accordingly,

IT IS ORDERED that Plaintiff's Motion for Attorney's Fees and Non-Taxable

Costs (ECF No. 38) is DENIED.

Inasmuch as all defendants have been terminated from the case or had default

judgments entered against them, this case is closed.

s/Robert H. Cleland

ROBERT H. CLELAND

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

Dated: October 15, 2019

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing document was mailed to counsel of record on this date, October 15, 2019, by electronic and/or ordinary mail.

<u>s/Lisa Wa</u>gner

Case Manager and Deputy Clerk

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