

FILED

OCT 24 2016

Clerk, U.S. District Court
District Of Montana
Helena

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

FOR THE DISTRICT OF MONTANA

HELENA DIVISION

DEBBIE WOODS,

Plaintiff,

vs.

UNITED STATES POSTAL
SERVICE, an independent agency of
the United States Government,

Defendant.

No. CV 16-49-H-SEH

ORDER


On October 24, 2016, the Court convened a preliminary pretrial conference in this matter. Plaintiff was represented by John C. Doubek, Esq. Defendant was represented by William Adam Duerk, Esq. During the conference, the Court apprised the parties' representatives of the following:

This action was filed on June 17, 2016.¹ The defendant named is United States Postal Service, an independent agency of the United States Government. The United States is the only proper party defendant in Federal Tort Claims Act² actions.³ “A claim against the United States Postal Service in its own name is not a claim against the United States.”⁴

ORDERED

The above-captioned matter is DISMISSED.

DATED this 24th day of October, 2016.



SAM E. HADDON
United States District Judge

¹ Doc. 1.

² 28 U.S.C. §§ 1346(b), 2671–2680.

³ *Kennedy v. U.S. Postal Service*, 145 F.3d 1077, 1078 (9th Cir. 1998).

⁴ *Id.*