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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**  
**DISTRICT OF NEVADA**

United States of America, *ex rel* Vahe Sarkissian,  
Plaintiff  
v.  
Tulane University Medical School, et al.,  
Defendants

**2:14-cv-01338-JAD-VCF**  
**Order Dismissing and Closing Case**

[ECF No. 11]

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In this *qui tam* action under the federal False Claims Act, relator Vahe Sarkissian's counsel has withdrawn,<sup>1</sup> the United States has chosen not to intervene,<sup>2</sup> and Sarkissian did not appear at the last hearing despite a court order directing him to do so. Given Sarkissian's apparent lack of interest in pursuing this action and his inability to litigate this *qui tam* case pro se, Magistrate Judge Ferenbach recommends that I dismiss this action with prejudice.<sup>3</sup> "[N]o review is required of a magistrate judge's report and recommendation unless objections are filed."<sup>4</sup> Objections to the magistrate judge's report and recommendation were due by September 9, 2016, and Sarkissian has not filed an objection or requested an extension to do so. Accordingly,

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IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that **the magistrate judge's report and recommendation [ECF No. 11] is ADOPTED, and this case is dismissed without prejudice.**

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The Clerk of Court is instructed to CLOSE this case.

Dated this 19th day of September

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Jennifer A. Dorsey  
United States District Judge

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<sup>3</sup> ECF No. 11.

<sup>4</sup> *Schmidt v. Johnstone*, 263 F. Supp. 2d 1219, 1226 (D. Ariz. 2003); *see also Thomas v. Arn*, 474 U.S. 140, 150 (1985); *United States v. Reyna-Tapia*, 328 F.3d 1114, 1121 (9th Cir. 2003).