UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO WESTERN DIVISION

SANDY SYKES, Administrator of the : Case No. 1:10-cv-688

estate of DAVID JOHN MUIR, et al.,

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Plaintiffs, : Judge Timothy S. Black

Magistrate Judge Karen L. Litkovitz

vs.

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, et al.,

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Defendants. :

DECISION AND ENTRY: (1) ADOPTING THE REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE (Doc. 87); (2) OVERRULING PLAINTIFFS' OBJECTIONS (Doc. 89); AND (3) TERMINATING THIS CASE FROM THE DOCKET OF THE COURT

This case is before the Court pursuant to the Order of General Reference in the United States District Court for the Southern District of Ohio Western Division to United States Magistrate Judge Karen L. Litkovitz. Pursuant to such reference, the Magistrate Judge reviewed the pleadings filed with this Court and, on July 22, 2011, submitted a Report and Recommendations. (Doc. 87). Subsequently, Plaintiffs filed objections to the Report and Recommendations (Doc. 89) and the Defendants filed responses (Docs. 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98).

As required by 29 U.S.C. § 636(b) and Fed. R. Civ. P. 72(b), the Court has reviewed the comprehensive findings of the Magistrate Judge and considered *de novo* all of the filings in this matter. Upon consideration of the foregoing, the Court does determine that such Report and Recommendations should be and is hereby adopted.

Accordingly, the Report and Recommendations (Doc. 87) is ADOPTED in full:

- 1. The Federal Defendants' motions to substitute the United States as the proper defendant (Docs. 21, 70, 72) are **GRANTED**;
- 2. Defendants' motions to dismiss (Docs. 21, 23, 24, 29, 34, 37, 46, 49, 50, 70, 72) are **GRANTED**;
- 3. Plaintiffs' motion for leave to file a second amended complaint (Doc. 82) is **DENIED**; and
- 4. This matter is **TERMINATED** on the docket of this Court.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Date: 824 11

Timothy S. Black

United States District Judge