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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO WESTERN DIVISION

JAMES JOHNSON, III, : Case No. 1:13-cv-921

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Plaintiff, : Judge Timothy S. Black

Magistrate Judge Karen L. Litkovitz

vs. :

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FAISAL AHMED, et al.,

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Defendants.

DECISION AND ENTRY ADOPTING THE REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION OF THE UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE (Doc. 30)

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 May 19, 2015, submitted a Report and Recommendation. (Doc. 30). No objections were filed.¹

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

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¹ The Court notes that although proper notice was served upon Plaintiff, the copy of the Report and Recommendation which the Clerk mailed to Plaintiff was returned to the Court due to Plaintiff's failure to apprise the Court of his change of address. (Doc. 31). By failing to keep the Court apprised of his current address, Plaintiff demonstrates a lack of prosecution of his action. *See, e.g., Theede v. United States Dep't of Labor,* 172 F.3d 1262, 1265 (10th Cir. 1999) (failure to object to a Magistrate Judge's Report and Recommendation, due to delay resulting from party's failure to bring to the court's attention a change in address, constitutes failure to object in a timely manner. Because the Recommendation was mailed to the last known address, it was properly served, and the party waived his right to appellate review). *See also Barber v. Runyon,* 23 F.3d 406 (6th Cir. 1994).

determine that such Report and Recommendation should be and is hereby **ADOPTED** in its entirety. Accordingly:

- 1. Defendants' motion to dismiss for lack of prosecution (Doc. 27) is **GRANTED**:
- 2. This civil action is **DISMISSED** for lack of prosecution pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 41(b);
- 3. The Court certifies pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a) that an appeal of this Order would not be taken in good faith, and therefore **DENIES** Plaintiff leave to appeal *in forma pauperis*. Plaintiff remains free, however, to apply to proceed *in forma pauperis* in the Court of Appeals; and
- 4. This civil action is **TERMINATED**.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Date:	6/23/2015	_/s/Timothy S. Black
		Timothy S. Black
		United States District Judge