IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA FLORENCE DIVISION

CHARLIE ESTERS FOLEY, et. al,)
Plaintiffs,)
V.)
TOWN OF NICHOLS, <u>et.</u> <u>al</u> .))
Defendants.)
)

Civil Action No.: 4:09-1217-TLW-TER

ORDER

Plaintiffs brought this civil action, *pro se*, on May 8, 2009, asserting numerous claims alleging wrongs related to the alleged condemnation of property located in the Town of Nichols, South Carolina. (Doc. # 1).

This matter now comes before this Court for review of the Report and Recommendations ("the Report") filed by United States Magistrate Judge Thomas E. Rogers, III, to whom this case had previously been assigned. In the Report, the Magistrate Judge recommends that the defendants' Motion for Summary Judgment, (Doc. # 80), be granted and that this case be dismissed in its entirety. (Doc. # 89). The plaintiffs filed objections to the report. (Docs. # 92 and 96). The defendants filed a reply to the objection. (Doc. # 99). In conducting this review, the Court applies the following standard:

The magistrate judge makes only a recommendation to the Court, to which any party may file written objections...The Court is not bound by the recommendation of the magistrate judge but, instead, retains responsibility for the final determination. The Court is required to make a *de novo* determination of those portions of the report or specified findings or recommendation as to which an objection is made. However, the Court is not required to review, under a *de novo* or any other standard, the factual or legal conclusions of the magistrate judge as to those portions of the Report and Recommendation to which no objections are addressed. While the level of scrutiny entailed by the Court's review of the Report thus depends on whether or not objections have been filed, in either case,

the Court is free, after review, to accept, reject, or modify any of the magistrate judge's findings or recommendations.

Wallace v. Housing Auth. of the City of Columbia, 791 F. Supp. 137, 138 (D.S.C. 1992) (citations omitted).

In light of the standard set forth in <u>Wallace</u>, the Court has reviewed, <u>de novo</u>, the Report and the objections. After careful review of the Report and objections thereto, the Court **ACCEPTS** the Report. (Docs. # 89). Therefore, for the reasons articulated by the Magistrate Judge, the defendants' Motion for Summary Judgment is **GRANTED**, (Doc. # 80), and this case is dismissed in its entirety. The motion to dismiss with mediation is deemed **MOOT**. (Doc. # 86).

IT IS SO ORDERED.

<u>s/Terry L. Wooten</u> United States District Judge

March 11, 2011 Florence, South Carolina