

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE
WESTERN DIVISION

NIEKEYEA NEWTON,)	
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Plaintiff,)	
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v.)	No. 14-cv-2985-SHM-DKV
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ESI COMPANIES, INC.,)	
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)	
Defendant.)	

ORDER ADOPTING MAGISTRATE JUDGE'S REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION

Before the Court is the Magistrate Judge's July 24, 2015 Report and Recommendation (the "Report") recommending that ESI Companies, Inc.'s ("ESI" or "Defendant") Motion to Dismiss be granted. (Report, ECF No. 27.) No objection has been filed to the Report and the time to do so has passed. For the following reasons, the Report is ADOPTED and the case is DISMISSED.

Congress enacted 28 U.S.C. § 636 to relieve the burden on the federal judiciary by permitting the assignment of district court duties to magistrate judges. See United States v. Curtis, 237 F.3d 598, 602 (6th Cir. 2001) (citing Gomez v. United States, 490 U.S. 858, 869-70 (1989)); see also Baker v. Peterson, 67 F. App'x 308, 310 (6th Cir. 2003). "A district judge must determine de novo any part of a magistrate judge's disposition that has been properly objected to." Fed. R. Civ.

P. 72(b); 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1)(C). After reviewing the evidence, the court is free to accept, reject, or modify the proposed findings or recommendations of the magistrate judge. 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1)(C). The district court is not required to review – under a de novo or any other standard – those aspects of the report and recommendation to which no objection is made. Thomas v. Arn, 474 U.S. 140, 150 (1985). The district court should adopt the findings and rulings of the magistrate judge to which no specific objection is filed. Id. at 151.

The Magistrate Judge finds that the Court has the authority to dismiss the case with prejudice under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 41(b) and 37(b)(2)(A)(v) due to Niekeyea Newton's ("Plaintiff") failure to prosecute or to comply with a court order. (Report, ECF No. 27 at 9.) The Report states that any objections must be filed within 14 days after service of the Report, and that failure to file objections or exceptions within 14 days may constitute waiver of objections, exceptions, and any further appeal. (Id. at 7 (citing Fed. R. Civ. P. 72(b)(2).)

Because no party has objected, Arn counsels the Court to adopt the Report in its entirety. Arn, 474 U.S. at 151. Adopting the Report is consistent with the policies underlying § 636, specifically judicial economy and protecting against the "functions of the district court [being] effectively duplicated as both the magistrate and the district court perform identical

tasks." Howard v. Sec'y of Health & Human Servs., 932 F.2d 505,
509 (6th Cir. 1991).

For the foregoing reasons, the Magistrate Judge's Report is
ADOPTED and the case is DISMISSED.

So ordered this 14th day of September, 2015.

/s/ Samuel H. Mays, Jr.
SAMUEL H. MAYS, JR.
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE