IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA Norfolk Division

THE COLEMAN COMPANY, INC., Plaintiff/Counter-Defendant,))
v.) Civil Action No. 2:20CV351 (RCY)
TEAM WORLDWIDE CORPORATION, Defendant/Counter-Plaintiff,)))
and)
CHENG-CHUNG WANG, Counter-Plaintiff.)))

MEMORANDUM OPINION

This matter, which was recently reassigned to the undersigned, is before the Court on the Report and Recommendation ("R&R") of United States Magistrate Judge Lawrence R. Leonard. (R&R, ECF No. 275.) The Court referred The Coleman Company's ("Plaintiff") Motion for Attorneys' Fees to Magistrate Judge Leonard because he has exclusively handled the parties' relevant discovery disputes, which served as the basis for Plaintiff's Motion for Attorneys' Fees. Accordingly, on May 9, 2022, Magistrate Judge Leonard entered the R&R wherein he recommended that the Court grant in part and deny in part Plaintiff's Motion for Attorneys' Fees. The Court advised the parties that they could file objections within fourteen (14) days after the entry of the R&R. The parties did not file objections.

"The magistrate makes only a recommendation to this [C]ourt. The recommendation has no presumptive weight, and the responsibility to make a final determination remains with this [C]ourt." *Estrada v. Witkowski*, 816 F. Supp. 408, 410 (D.S.C. 1993) (citing *Mathews v. Weber*, 423 U.S. 261, 270–71 (1976)). The Court "shall make a de novo determination of those portions

of the report or specified proposed findings or recommendations to which objection is made." 28

U.S.C. § 636(b)(1). "The filing of objections to a magistrate's report enables the district judge to

focus attention on those issues - factual and legal - that are at the heart of the parties' dispute."

Thomas v. Arn, 474 U.S. 140, 147 (1985) (footnote omitted). In the absence of a specific written

objection, the Court may adopt a magistrate judge's recommendation without conducting a de

novo review. See Diamond v. Colonial Life & Accident Ins. Co., 416 F.3d 310, 316 (4th Cir. 2005).

There being no objections, and the Court having determined that the R&R is correct on the

merits, the R&R (ECF No. 275) will be ACCEPTED and ADOPTED.

An appropriate Order will accompany this Memorandum Opinion.

Norfolk, Virginia

Date: June 14, 2022

Roderick C. Young United States District Judge

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