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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
AT SEATTLE

ALEX C. BARKLEY,	)	No. C13-1049RSL
	)	
Plaintiff,	)	
v.	)	ORDER OF REMAND
GREEN POINT MORTGAGE FUNDING, INC., <i>et al.</i> ,	)	
	)	
Defendants.	)	

This matter comes before the Court on plaintiff’s “Motion to Remand.” Dkt. # 6. Plaintiff filed this action in King County Superior Court asserting state law claims arising out of defendants’ efforts to foreclose on plaintiff’s home. Defendants JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., and U.S. Bank National Association removed the matter to federal court based on plaintiff’s allegations regarding violations of federal law. Plaintiff has not, however, asserted any federal causes of action and has expressly disavowed any intention to seek relief under the federal statutes mentioned in the complaint.

The question of whether a claim arises under federal law for purposes of 28 U.S.C. § 1331 must be determined by reference to the complaint. Mere mention of a federal law is not “a password opening federal courts to any state action embracing a point of federal law.” Grable & Sons Metal Prods., Inc. v. Darue Eng’g & Mfg., 545 U.S. 308, 314 (2005). Rather, federal law must create the cause of action or plaintiff’s right to relief must depend on the resolution of a

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