

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA  
FORT MYERS DIVISION

DOROTHY JERNIGAN, on behalf  
of herself and others  
similarly situated,

Plaintiff,

v.

Case No: 2:17-cv-265-FtM-99MRM

1ST STOP RECOVERY, INC, a  
Florida for Profit  
Corporation, and and JUDITH  
MARRA-PTASHINSKI,  
individually,

Defendants.

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**OPINION AND ORDER**

This matter is before the Court on consideration of the Magistrate Judge's Report and Recommendation (Doc. #47), filed April 17, 2018, recommending that the Joint Motion to Approve Settlement Agreement and Joint Stipulation for Dismissal of Lawsuit With Prejudice (Doc. #45) be granted, the settlement be approved, and the case dismissed. No objections have been filed and the time to do so has expired.

After conducting a careful and complete review of the findings and recommendations, a district judge may accept, reject or modify the magistrate judge's report and recommendation. 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1); Williams v. Wainwright, 681 F.2d 732 (11th Cir. 1982),

cert. denied, 459 U.S. 1112 (1983). In the absence of specific objections, there is no requirement that a district judge review factual findings *de novo*, Garvey v. Vaughn, 993 F.2d 776, 779 n.9 (11th Cir. 1993), and the court may accept, reject or modify, in whole or in part, the findings and recommendations. 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1). The district judge reviews legal conclusions *de novo*, even in the absence of an objection. See Cooper-Houston v. Southern Ry. Co., 37 F.3d 603, 604 (11th Cir. 1994); Castro Bobadilla v. Reno, 826 F. Supp. 1428, 1431-32 (S.D. Fla. 1993), aff'd, 28 F.3d 116 (11th Cir. 1994) (Table).

After conducting an independent examination of the file and upon due consideration of the Report and Recommendation, the Court accepts the Report and Recommendation of the magistrate judge.

Accordingly, it is now

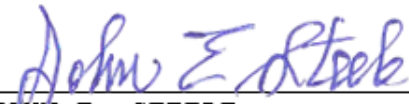
**ORDERED:**

1. The Report and Recommendation (Doc. #47) is hereby **adopted** and the findings **incorporated** herein.

2. The parties' Joint Motion to Approve Settlement Agreement and Joint Stipulation for Dismissal of Lawsuit With Prejudice (Doc. #45) is **granted** and the Settlement Agreement and Release of FLSA Claims (Doc. #45-1) is approved as a fair and reasonable resolution of a bona fide dispute.

3. The Clerk shall enter judgment **dismissing** the case with prejudice, terminate all deadlines and motions, and close the file.

**DONE and ORDERED** at Fort Myers, Florida, this 7th day of May, 2018.

  
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JOHN E. STEELE  
SENIOR UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

Copies:  
Hon. Mac R. McCoy  
United States Magistrate Judge

Counsel of Record  
Unrepresented parties