

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI  
EASTERN DIVISION**

STATE OF MISSOURI, *et al.*,

Plaintiffs,

vs.

JOSEPH R. BIDEN, JR., *in his official capacity*  
*as the President of the United States of America,*  
*et al.*,

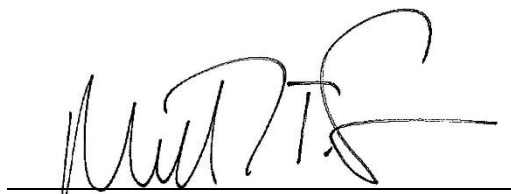
Defendants.

Case No. 4:21-cv-01329-MTS

**ORDER DIRECTING CLERK TO CLOSE CASE**

In light of the filing of Plaintiffs' Notice of Dismissal Without Prejudice, Doc. [97], which dismissed this action without prejudice, the Clerk of Court is directed to close this case. *See* Fed. R. Civ. P. 41(a)(1)(A)(i) (allowing a plaintiff to dismiss an action without a court order by filing a notice of dismissal, provided no opposing party has served either an answer or a motion for summary judgment); *see also Ajiwoju v. Cottrell*, 245 F. App'x 563, 565 (8th Cir. 2007) (*per curiam*) ("A voluntary dismissal pursuant to Rule 41(a)(1) is effective upon entry and does not require judicial approval.").

Dated this 21st day of July 2023.



MATTHEW T. SCHELP  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE