UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

CIVIL MINUTES - GENERAL

Case No.	CV 18-2503 FMO (JCx)	Date	January 27, 2020
Title	Runway TV, LLC v. Eleonora De Gray EURL, <u>et al.</u>		

Present: The Honorable Fernando M. Olguin, United States District Judge				
Vanessa Figueroa		None	None	
Deputy Clerk		Court Reporter / Recorder	Tape No.	
Attorney Present for Plaintiff(s):		Attorney Present for Defendant(s):		
None Present		None Present		

Proceedings: (In Chambers) Order Re: Entry of Default as to De Gray LLC

On September 11, 2019, the court ordered defendant Eleonora De Gray EURL, a French limited liability company ("De Gray LLC") to file an answer to the First Amended Complaint ("FAC") and "reminded [it] that it may not appear pro se." (Dkt. 92, Court's Order of September 11, 2019, at 3) (citing Local Rule 83-2.2.2) ("Only individuals may represent themselves pro se. No organization or entity of any other kind (including corporations, limited liability corporations, partnerships, limited liability partnerships, unincorporated associations, trusts) may appear in any action or proceeding unless represented by an attorney permitted to practice before this Court under L.R. 83-2.1."). De Gray LLC was admonished that "[f]ailure to retain counsel and/or file an Answer to the FAC by the deadline . . . may result in the entry of default against defendant De Gray LLC." (Id.). On November 7, 2019, the court granted De Gray LLC's motion for extension of time, and again reminded it that it could not appear pro se and that failure to retain counsel and/or file an answer to the FAC by December 11, 2019, could result in the entry of default. (See Dkt. 111, Court's Order of November 7, 2019). The court also ordered defendant Eleonora De Gray ("Ms. De Gray") not to "file any motions or documents on behalf of De Gray LLC[,]" and warned that any such documents would be stricken. (Id.).

De Gray LLC failed to retain counsel and file an answer to the FAC, (see, generally, Dkt.), and pursuant to the Court's Order to Show Cause, (see Dkt. 113, Court's Order of December 13, 2019), plaintiff filed a Request for Clerks Entry of Default. (See Dkt. 114, "Request"). In contravention of the Court's Order of November 7, 2019, Ms. De Gray filed an opposition to the Request. (See Dkt. 115, Defendant's Opposition to Request for Clerks Entry of Default). On December 16, 2019, the Clerk forwarded the Request to the undersigned given the "complexities in the service of summons and complaint[.]" (Dkt. 116, Notice of Deficiency).

Having reviewed the Request and filings in this action, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

- 1. Plaintiff's Request (Document No. 114) is granted.
- 2. Ms. De Gray's Opposition (Dkt. No. 115) is stricken.

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3. The court hereby enters default against De Gray LLC pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 55(a). Plaintiff may file a motion for default judgment as to De Gray LLC after the case is resolved as to Ms. De Gray's liability.

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