

U.S. DISTRICT COURT

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Defendants did not appeal the order of May 1, 2001, denying the claim of Eleventh Amendment immunity under the collateral order doctrine.

The Defendants Claim Of Eleventh Amendment Immunity Relates Back To Their Prior Motion To Dismiss.

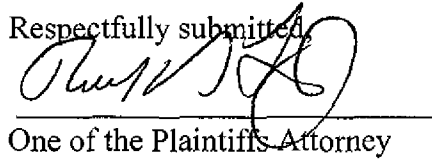
The Plaintiffs filed a Third Amended Complaint in order to add four new Plaintiffs to be class representatives. In *Olech v. Village of Willowbrook*, 138 F. Supp. 2d 1036, 1044 (N.D. Ill. 2000), Magistrate Schenkier addressed the issue of whether the amended complaint relates back to the date of the original complaint.

In determining whether the addition of claims by new plaintiffs will relate back, some courts within this district have applied a four-factor inquiry to determine whether the Rule 15(c) requirements of fair notice and lack of prejudice have been met. These factors include whether or not (1) the new plaintiffs claim arose out of the “same conduct, transaction or occurrence” set forth in the original complaint; (2) the new plaintiff shares an “identity of interest” with the original plaintiff; (3) the defendants have “fair notice” of the new plaintiff’s claim; and (4) the addition of the new plaintiff causes the defendants prejudice. See *Sherwin Manor*, 1997 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 9255, 1997 WL 367368 at *6 (citing *Williams v. United States*, 405 F.2d 234 (5th Cir. 1968)); *J. Pease Construction*, 1994 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 12331, 1994 WL 499137, at *2-5.

In the instant case, the claims of the new Plaintiffs seeking residential services relates back to the First Amended Complaint. Likewise, the Defendants raising the claim of Eleventh Amendment immunity relates back to the filing of their prior Motion to Dismiss which was denied on May 1, 2001.

WHEREFORE, the Plaintiffs requests that this Court deny the Defendants Motion To Dismiss the Plaintiffs Third Amended Complaint on the basis that the Defendants Motion To Dismiss the Third Amended Complaint relates back to the Defendants prior filing of a Motion To Dismiss which was denied on May 1, 2001.

Respectfully submitted,



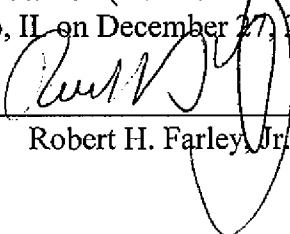
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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