UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA Miami Division

Case Number: 20-21652-CIV-MORENO

SYMBOLOGY INNOVATIONS, LLC,

Plaintiff,

VS.

CELEBRITY CRUISES, INC.,

Defendant.

ORDER DISMISSING CASE WITHOUT PREJUDICE

THE COURT has considered the pertinent portions of the record, the last recorded date of various proceedings, and is otherwise fully advised in the premises.

THIS CAUSE came before the Court upon a *sua sponte* review of the record.

On July 9, 2020, the Court issued an Order to Show Cause why the complaint in this case had not been served in compliance with Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 4(m). (*See* D.E. 5.) Plaintiff filed a response with the Court the same day and explained that it attempted but failed to personally serve Defendant on April 29, 2020 because the office of Defendant's registered agent was closed due to the COVID-19 pandemic. (D.E. 6 at 1.) Plaintiff's response further explained that it attempted to notify Defendant of this lawsuit by sending a copy of the complaint and a waiver of service of summons to Defendant's registered agent via U.S. Certified Mail with return receipt requested. *Id.* As of the Plaintiff's response, however, the USPS Certified Mail green card had not been returned to counsel for Plaintiff and USPS's automated phone service indicated that the package was "in transit." *Id.* at 1–2. Plaintiff's response concluded with "the impression that Defendant has not been served, despite its numerous attempts." *Id.* at 2.

To date, Plaintiff still has not docketed a return of service. Nor has Plaintiff requested an

extension of time to serve Defendant. Because Plaintiff filed the complaint on April 20, 2020, and

service of the summons and the complaint has not been executed as of the date of this Order, it is

ADJUDGED that this case is **DISMISSED WITHOUT PREJUDICE** for failure to serve

the summons and the complaint in compliance with Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 4(m). The

Clerk of Court shall mark this case CLOSED.

DONE AND ORDERED in Chambers at Miami, Florida, this <u>21st</u> of July 2020.

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FEDERICO A. MORENO UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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