

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK**

JOSEPH J. O'HARA,

Plaintiff,

1:12-cv-252 (GLS/RFT)

v.

**KEITH A. RANIERE also known as
Vanguard, et al.**

Defendants.

APPEARANCES:

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Gary L. Sharpe
Chief Judge

ORDER

Pending before the court are defendants motions to dismiss pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 12(b) (6). See *Dkt. Nos. 44-46, 49-51 and 56-57*. In addition, the Damon Morey and Bartolomei defendants filed Rule 11 motions. See *Dkt. Nos. 61 and 70*. In reference to the latter Rule 11 motion, the court rescheduled this motion to be in full compliance with Local Rule 7.1. The plaintiff's response to this motion is to be filed on or before **August 10, 2012**. In regards to the remaining motions, despite the passage of the due date, the plaintiff has not filed a response to these motions. The Second Circuit has held, "[a] court's task in ruling on a Rule 12(b)(6) motion is merely to assess the legal feasibility of the complaint, not to assay the weight of the evidence which might be offered in support thereof." *AmBase Corp. v. City Investing Co. Liquidating Trust*, 326 F.3d

63, 72 (2d Cir. 2003). Therefore, while the court may review the complaint alone to decide the motions to dismiss, it would be more beneficial to the plaintiff if he offered his position on defendants' arguments. If the court considers the motions without plaintiff's response, it is left unaware of arguments that may further support the complaint. Therefore, in the interest of justice the court will allow the plaintiff **until August 10, 2012** to file a response to defendants' motions. Moreover, if the plaintiff does not intend to oppose the motions, he must notify the court and opposing counsel immediately. *See id.*

WHEREFORE, for the foregoing reasons, it is hereby

ORDERED, that the plaintiff either notify the court and opposing counsel of his intention not to respond to defendants' motions or file his response on or before **August 10, 2012**; and it is further

ORDERED, that if the plaintiff elects to file a response, the defendants shall file a reply on or before August 17, 2012, and it is further

ORDERED, that the motion hearing scheduled for August 2, 2011 at 9:00 a.m. has been rescheduled for August 27, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. on

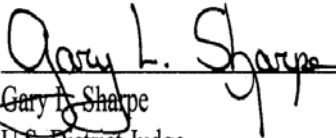
SUBMIT only. No personal appearances are needed; and it is further

ORDERED, that no further extensions will be permitted absent

extraordinary circumstances; and it is further

ORDERED, that the Clerk of the Court provide a copy of this Order to the parties by regular mail.

Dated: July 26, 2012
Albany, New York



Gary L. Sharpe
U.S. District Judge