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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF ARIZONA

United States of America,
Plaintiff,
vs.
James Leslie Reading; Clare L Reading; et
al,
Defendants.

No. CV 11-698-PHX-FJM
ORDER

The court has before it the defendants James and Clare Reading's Motion for an Extension of Time to Answer the Complaint. (Doc. 5). The defendants appear pro se, but at the same time claim that they "do not accept the liability of the compelled benefit of a pro se arrangement with this court." Motion at 1. They also claim not to acknowledge or submit "to the jurisdiction of this court." Id. Despite this, they ask for a 60 day extension to file a responsive pleading. Yet they have had the time to file a bizarre document entitled "Prosecutorial Authorization Certification Request". (Doc. 6).

In any event, 60 days is far longer than reasonable or necessary to file a responsive pleading. We do agree with defendants that they should retain counsel. If they do not have one, they may wish to contact the Lawyer Referral Service of the Maricopa County Bar Association at 602-257-4434. We will grant a reasonable extension so that defendants will have time to retain a lawyer. It is unlikely that they will be able to successfully handle their

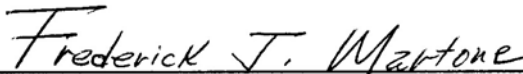
1 own defense.

2 Accordingly, it is ORDERED GRANTING defendants' Motion for an Extension to
3 and including June 6, 2011 within which to file a responsive pleading. (Doc. 5).

4 DATED this 18th day of May, 2011.

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Frederick J. Martone
United States District Judge

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