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7	IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
8	FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
9	IN RE:  SEARCH WARP ANTES  No. CV-11-340-RMP
10	SEARCH WARRANTS
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14	GOVERNMENT'S RESPONSE TO PLAINTIFF'S EMERGENCY MOTION
15	TO STRIKE U.S.A. PLEADINGS
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17	The United States of America, by its attorney, Christopher E. Parisi, Trial
18	Attorney, requests this Honorable Court deny the Plaintiff's "Emergency Motion to
19	Strike U.S.A. Pleadings, Arguments, and Witness Testimony for Lack of Standing,"
20	Strike O.S.M. Fleddings, Miguments, and Witness Testimony for Edek of Standing,
21	which was filed with this Court on or about February 24, 2012.
22	Movant L. Daniel Smith moves the Court to strike all pleadings, prohibit
23 24	future criminal investigation of movant, and enter a default judgment on behalf of
25	the movant. In support of this motion, Mr. Smith indicates the "United States of

America" lacks standing, as he addressed his previous motions before this Court as motions involving the "United States." Smith claims the "United States of America" and "United States" are not the same entity. In further support of his motion, Mr. Smith indicates the undersigned is not properly admitted to appear before this Court.

The movant's argument regarding standing is meritless and should be dismissed. Numerous courts, confronted with the identical argument, found it specious. United States v. Wacker, No. 98-3267, 1999 WL 176171, at \*2 (10th Cir. Mar. 31, 1999) (characterizing as "ludicrous" and "fanciful" the notion that the federal government lacked authority because "the United States" and "the United States of America" are not synonymous terms); Flores-Rosales v. United States, No. EP-08-CV-98-KC, 2009 WL 1783703, at \*3 (W.D. Tex. June 3, 2009) ("The United States of America is the same party as the United States, and an argument to the contrary is unsupported in law or common sense."); United States v. Wright, No. S-94-1183 EJG GGH, 1998 WL 990588, at \*4 (E.D. Cal. Dec. 29, 1998) ("[This] argument [is] patently frivolous and the motion is summarily denied."); United States v. Villanueva-Camacho, No. 5:08-5062, 2008 WL 4368939, at \*3 (W.D. Ark. Sept. 24, 2008) ("The United States of America' is often referred to as the 'United States.' Whether the country is referred to as 'United States of

America,' 'the United States of America,' 'The United States,' or 'United States,' the meaning is clear and petitioner's argument is frivolous.").

Additionally, movant's claims that the undersigned may not appear before this Court are likewise meritless and should be denied. "Any attorney employed outside of this district on a regular basis by any agency of the United States who is a member in good standing of the bar of any state, may appear in this court on behalf of the United States on an individual case without being admitted to the bar thereof . . . ." L.R. 83.2(a)(2). The undersigned is employed as a Trial Attorney by the Department of Justice, Consumer Protection Branch.

For the foregoing reasons, the United States of America respectfully requests this Honorable Court deny the movant's "Emergency Motion to Strike U.S.A. Pleadings, Arguments, and Witness Testimony for Lack of Standing."

Dated: February 28, 2012 Respectfully submitted,

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1	<u>Certificate of Service</u>
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3 4	I hereby certify that on this 28 <sup>th</sup> day of February, 2012, I electronically filed the
5	foregoing GOVERNMENT'S RESPONSE TO MOVANT'S EMERGENCY
6	MOTION TO STRIKE U.S.A. PLEADINGS with the Clerk of the Court using the
7 8	CM/ECF system and served a copy of the same on the following individuals by U.S.
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