SHORT FORM ORDER

INDEX NO. 16969-2004

SUPREME COURT - STATE OF NEW YORK I.A.S. TERM, PART XIV - SUFFOLK COUNTY

PRESENT: Hon. WILLIAM L. UNDERWOOD, JR.

MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. AS NOMINEE FOR COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS, INC.,

Plaintiff(s),

-against-

VICTORIA B. SCHOENSTER; "JOHN DOES" and "JANE DOES", said names being fictitious, parties intended being possible tenants or occupants of premises, and corporations, other entities or persons who claim, or may claim, a lien against the premises,

Defendant(s).

ORIG. RETURN DATE: FINAL RETURN DATE: MTN. SEQ. #: MD/EXPARTE ORDER

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DEFT'S/RESP ATTORNEY:

Upon the following papers numbered 1 to read on this motion

Notice of Motion/Order to Show Cause and supporting papers ____; Notice of Cross Motion and supporting papers ____; Answering Affidavits and supporting papers ____; Replying Affidavits and supporting papers ____; Other ____; (and after hearing counsel in support of and opposed to the motion) it is,

ORDERED that this ex parte application by the plaintiff for an order, inter alia, fixing

the defaults of the defendant mortgagors and other known defendants in answering the summons and complaint served in this mortgage foreclosure action and for an order appointing a referee to compute amounts due under the mortgage sought to be foreclosed herein is considered under CPLR 3215 and Article 13 of the Real Property Actions and Proceedings Law (RPAPL) and is denied.

The moving papers established that the plaintiff has no ownership interest in the subject note and mortgage sought to be foreclosed herein by assignment or otherwise. Since

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only the owner of the note and mortgage at the time of the commencement of the action has standing to prosecute claims for foreclosure of the mortgage (*Kluge v Fugazy*, 145 AD2d 537, 536 NYS2d 92 [1988]), the plaintiff here cannot establish the *prima facie* validity of the claims against the defendants as is required by CPLR 3215(f) (*see*, *Gagen v Kipany Productions, Ltd.*, 289 AD2d 844, 735 NYS2d 225 [2001], and the cases cited therein).

In view of the foregoing, the instant application is denied and the proposed order appointing a referee to compute has been marked "Not signed".

Dated: September 15, 2004

WILLIAM L. UNDERWOOD, JR. J.S.C.