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At Part 26 of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, Kings County on the 27th day of November, 2007

Present: HON. DONALD SCOTT KURTZ
Justice, Supreme Court

Index No.: 18695/2007

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE, ON BEHALF OF THE HOLDERS OF THE CSMC MORTGAGE-BACKED PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-1 C/O SELECT PORTFOLIO SERVICING, INC., 3815 SOUTHWEST TEMPLE SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84115,

DECISION/ORDER

Plaintiff,

-against-

MARIE M. AUGUSTE, MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., AS NOMINEE FOR FIRST UNITED BANKING CORP., NEW YORK CITY ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL BOARD, NEW YORK CITY PARKING VIOLATIONS BUREAU, NEW YORK CITY TRANSIT ADJUDICATION BUREAU, PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, SELECT PORTFOLIO SERVICING , INC,
JOHN DOE (said name being fictitious, it being the intention of Plaintiff to designate any and all occupants of premises being foreclosed herein, and any parties, corporations or entities, if any, having or claiming any interest or lien upon the mortgaged premises).

Defendant(s).

Recitation, as required by CPLR §2219(a), of the papers considered in the review of this motion:

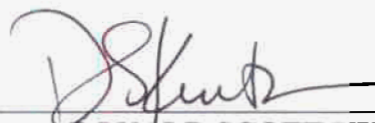
<u>Papers</u>	<u>Numbered</u>
Order to Show Cause/Notice of Motion and Affidavits/Affirmations Annexed.....	1
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Memoranda of Law.....	_____
Other.....	_____

Upon the foregoing cited papers, the Decision/Order on this motion is as follows:

U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee, on behalf of the holders of the CSMC Mortgage-Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2007-1 (hereinafter "plaintiff") commenced the instant mortgage foreclosure action by filing of the summons and complaint on May 24, 2007. After service of said summons and complaint on all defendants and their failure to appear or answer, with the exception of defendant People of The State of New York, plaintiff made the instant application for a default judgment and order of reference. The original lender of the subject September 14, 2006 mortgage is First United Mortgage Banking Corp., (hereinafter "First United"). In support of plaintiff's application, it submits a purported assignment of the mortgage from Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., acting as nominee for First United, to plaintiff. The purported assignment is dated July 9, 2007 and states in pertinent part that "this assignment is effective on or before November 22, 2006." However, such an attempt to retroactively assign the mortgage is insufficient to establish plaintiff's ownership interest at the time the action was commenced. See *Countrywide Home Loans, Inc. v. Taylor*, 17 Misc3d 595 (Sup. Ct. Suffolk Co. 2007). Plaintiff's attempt to foreclose upon a mortgage in which it had no "legal or equitable interest was without foundation in law or fact..." *Katz v. East-Ville Realty Co.*, 249 AD2d 243 (1st Dept 1998). See *U.S. Bank Nat. Ass'n v. Merino*, 16 Misc3d 209, 212 (Sup. Ct. Suffolk Co. 2007). Moreover, "foreclosure of a mortgage may not be brought by one who has no title to it..." *Kluge v. Fugazy*, 145 AD2d 537, 538 (2d Dept 1998). See *RCR Services Inc. v. Herbil Holding Co.*, 229 AD2d 379 (2d Dept 1996). Finally, plaintiff's standing to bring the within action goes to the basis of a court's authority to adjudicate a dispute. See *Stark v. Goldberg*, 297 AD2d 203 (1st Dept 2002) (wherein the court held that *sua sponte* dismissal of the action was warranted despite the lack of any assertion by defendants of an objection to plaintiffs' standing).

In view of the foregoing, the Court finds that plaintiff had no standing to commence this action. Plaintiff's application for a default judgment and order of reference is hereby denied and its complaint is hereby dismissed *sua sponte*.

The foregoing shall constitute the Decision and Order of the Court.



DONALD SCOTT KURTZ
Justice, Supreme Court