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UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS

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FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

MOLLY C. DWYER, CLERK U.S. COURT OF APPEALS

DENNIS HOLLINGSWORTH, et al.,

Petitioners,

v.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA,

Respondent,

KRISTIN M. PERRY; et al.,

Real Parties in Interest.

No. 10-70063

D.C. No. 3:09-cv-02292-VRW Northern District of California, San Francisco

ORDER

Before: SILVERMAN, PAEZ and BEA, Circuit Judges.

The court hereby directs that real parties in interest shall file a response to the petition for a writ of mandamus by 3:00 p.m. PST on January 8, 2010. *See* Fed. R. App. P. 21(b).

The district court may file a response if it so desires by 3:00 p.m. PST on January 8, 2010.

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