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8	UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT	
9	EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA	
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11	JAWWAAD HASAN,	1:08-cv-00381-GSA-PC
12	Plaintiff,	ORDER REQUIRING PLAINTIFF TO FILE OPPOSITION OR STATEMENT OF NON-OPPOSITION TO DEFENDANT JOHNSON'S MOTION TO DISMISS WITHIN THIRTY DAYS
13	v.	
14	B. JOHNSON, et al.,	
15	Defendants.	(Doc. 28.)
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17	On June 20, 2011, defendant Johnson ("Defendant") filed a motion to dismiss. (Doc. 28.)	
18	Plaintiff was required to file an opposition or a statement of non-opposition to the motion within	
19	twenty-one days, but has not done so. Local Rule 230(1).	
20	Local Rule 230(l) provides that the failure to oppose a motion "may be deemed a waiver	
21	of any opposition to the granting of the motion" The court will deem any failure to oppose	
22	Defendant's motion to dismiss as a waiver, and recommend that the motion be granted on that	
23	basis.	
24	Failure to follow a district court's local rules is a proper grounds for dismissal. U.S. v.	
25	Warren, 601 F.2d 471, 474 (9th Cir. 1979). Thus, a court may dismiss an action for plaintiff's	
26	failure to oppose a motion to dismiss, where the applicable local rule determines that failure to	
27	oppose a motion will be deemed a waiver of opposition. See Ghazali v. Moran, 46 F.3d 52 (9th	
28	Cir. 1995), cert. denied 516 U.S. 838 (1995) (dismissal upheld even where plaintiff contends he	

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did not receive motion to dismiss, where plaintiff had adequate notice, pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 5(b), and time to file opposition); cf. Marshall v. Gates, 44 F.3d 722, 725 (9th Cir. 1995); Henry v. Gill Industries, Inc., 983 F.2d 943, 949-50 (9th Cir. 1993) (motion for summary judgment cannot be granted simply as a sanction for a local rules violation, without an appropriate exercise of discretion).

Accordingly, within thirty days of the date of service of this order, Plaintiff shall file an opposition or statement of non-opposition to the motion to dismiss filed by Defendant. If Plaintiff fails to comply with this order, the Court will deem the failure to respond as a waiver, and recommend that the motion be granted on that basis.

Dated: November 7, 2011 /s/ Gary S. Austin
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE