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| 11 | PHILLIP BROOKS, | CASE NO. 1:10-cv-00800-AWI-SKO | |
| 12 13 | Plaintiff, v. | ORDER DENYING REQUEST FOR SUBSTITUTION OF ATTORNEY AS MOOT | |
| 14 | MARIPOSA COUNTY, et al., | | |
| 15 | Defendants. | (Docket Nos. 19, 20) | |
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| 17 | On December 2, 2010, counsel for defendants Mariposa County, Mariposa County Sheriff's | | |
| 18 | Department, Rich Parrish, and Justin Strum ("Defendants") filed a request for a substitution of | | |
| 19 | attorney. However, after having reviewed the substitution request, it appears to actually be a notice | | |
| 20 | of a change of firm name rather than a change of attorney representation. Ms. Kimberly Flores will | | |
| 21 | continue to represent Defendants, but the name of the firm with which she is associated is changed | | |
| 22 | from Allen, Fagalde, Albertoni & Flores, LLP to Fagalde, Albertoni & Flores, LLP. | | |
| 23 | A request for substitution of attorneys is not the proper vehicle to notice the Court of a firm | | |
| 24 | name change. Pursuant to Local Rule 182(b), "[a]ppearances as an attorney of record shall not be | | |
| 25 | made in the name of the firm, organization, public entity, agency, or department." See Fed. R. Civ. | | |
| 26 | P. 11. Rather, an appearance is made by the individual attorney representing the party. Here, that | | |
| 27 | has not changed. | | |
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| 1 | Accordingly, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT: | | |
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| 2 | 1. | The Defendants' request for substitution of attorneys is DENIED as moot; and | |
| 3 | 2. | . The Clerk of Court is directed to update the CM/ECF docket to reflect the changed | |
| 4 | firm name associated with Defendants' counsel of record as noted above. | | |
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| 6 | IT IS SO ORDERED. | | |
| 7 | Dated: | December 10, 2010/s/ Sheila K. ObertoUNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE | |
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