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| 9 | UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT | | |
| 10 | FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA | | |
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| 12 | JAMES LORAN QUINN, Case No. 1:10-cv-1617 LJO BAM | | |
| 13 | Plaintiff, ORDER SCHEDULING TRIAL SETTING CONFERENCE | | |
| 14 | v. | | |
| 15 | FRESNO COUNTY SHERIFF, et al., | | |
| 16 | Defendants. | | |
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| 18 | In its previous order, the Court concluded that the clear weight of the evidence at trial showed | | |
| 19 | that Defendant Officer David Alanis ("Officer Alanis") had probable cause to arrest Plaintiff James | | |
| 20 | Loran Quinn ("Plaintiff") for violating the terms and conditions of his probation. Specifically, the | | |
| 21 | Court concluded that the weight of the evidence showed that Officer Alanis was aware at the time of | | |
| 22 | Plaintiff's arrest that Plaintiff filed his record of contact ("ROC") late; that Plaintiff filed his monthly | | |
| 23 | report forms ("MRFs") for the months of September 2006 and November 2006 late; and that each of | | |
| 24 | these late filings constituted a probation violation for which the Plaintiff could be arrested. The Court | | |
| 25 | therefore granted Defendants County of Fresno and Officer Alanis' (collectively "Defendants") | | |
| 26 | motion for a new trial. However, before scheduling a new trial, the Court ordered additional briefing | | |
| 27 | from Plaintiff as to why summary judgment should not be granted in Defendants' favor. The Court | | |
| 28 | explained that at this point there does not appear to be a genuine dispute of material fact regarding | | |
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probable cause.

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2 Having reviewed Plaintiff's briefing, the Court concludes that granting Defendants summary judgment *sua sponte* at this juncture would be inappropriate. Viewing the evidence in the light most 3 favorable to Plaintiff, there may be a genuine dispute of fact regarding Officer Alanis' knowledge at 4 5 the time of Plaintiff's arrest; specifically, whether Officer Alanis was aware at the time of Plaintiff's arrest that the ROC and MRFs for the months of September 2006 and November 2006 were filed late. 6 Although the current trial record regarding this matter is largely uncontested, the Court is cognizant 7 8 that this is because Plaintiff was led to believe that these matters were not at issue. Plaintiff will have 9 an opportunity to explore this area during the new trial.

Accordingly, the Court schedules a trial setting conference for Friday, June 14, 2013, at 8:00
a.m. in Courtroom 4 (LJO). The parties shall be prepared to discuss a schedule for proceeding to trial.
The parties shall also be prepared to discuss whether a settlement conference would be fruitful. The
parties are advised that they may appear telephonically.

16 || IT IS SO ORDERED.

| 17 | Dated: <u>May 29, 2013</u> | /s/ Lawrence J. O'Neill |
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| 18 | | UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE |
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