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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

LUIS SANCHEZ,

CASE NO. 1:12-cv-00428-LJO-SKO

Plaintiff,

v.

CITY OF FRESNO, et al.,

Defendants.

**Related Cases:**

- No. 1:12-cv-00429-LJO-SKO
- No. 1:12-cv-00430-LJO-SKO
- No. 1:12-cv-00431-LJO-SKO
- No. 1:12-cv-00432-LJO-SKO
- No. 1:12-cv-00434-LJO-SKO
- No. 1:12-cv-00436-LJO-SKO
- No. 1:12-cv-00439-LJO-SKO
- No. 1:12-cv-00448-LJO-SKO
- No. 1:12-cv-00528-LJO-SKO

**ORDER SETTING STATUS  
CONFERENCE**

On May 30, 2012, the district court issued an order that this case be related to nine other cases, which are all now assigned to U.S. District Judge Lawrence J. O'Neill and U.S. Magistrate Judge Sheila K. Oberto:

- (1) *Deen et al. v. City of Fresno, et al.*, No. 1:12-cv-00429-LJO-SKO
- (2) *Valenzuela v. City of Fresno, et al.*, No. 1:12-cv-00430-LJO-SKO
- (3) *Idell v. City of Fresno, et al.*, No. 1:12-cv-00431-LJO-SKO
- (4) *Gray, et al. v. City of Fresno, et al.*, No. 1:12-cv-00432-LJO-SKO

1 (5) *Calmer, et al. v. City of Fresno, et al.*, No. 1:12-cv-00434-LJO-SKO

2 (6) *Graham v. City of Fresno, et al.*, No. 1:12-cv-00436-LJO-SKO

3 (7) *Williams v. City of Fresno, et al.*, No. 1:12-cv-00439-LJO-SKO

4 (8) *Soto v. City of Fresno, et al.*, No. 1:12-cv-00448-LJO-SKO

5 (9) *Subia, et al. v. City of Fresno, et al.*, No. 1:12-cv-00528-LJO-SKO

6 (*Sanchez v. City of Fresno et al.*, Case No. 1:12-cv-00428-LJO, SKO, Doc. 11.) This case, No. 1:12-  
7 cv-00428-LJO-SKO, is designated as the "lead" case. Judge O'Neill referred coordination of the  
8 pretrial proceedings in all of the cases to the undersigned.

9 The Court has conducted two separate conferences on June 20 and 27, 2012, regarding the  
10 scheduling of pretrial proceedings in these cases. In a status report filed on June 25, 2012, Plaintiffs  
11 represented that there were potentially 25 to 30 additional plaintiffs who may seek to be joined with  
12 the existing coordinated actions, based on the premise that these additional plaintiffs have claims that  
13 are factually and legally similar to the claims in the existing actions. (Doc. 18.) Further, the parties  
14 agreed that, regardless of additional plaintiffs that may be joined to the existing proceedings,  
15 consolidation of these matters is warranted for all *pre-trial* purposes.

16 At the June 27, 2012, status conference the parties discussed organization of the proceedings  
17 in light of the additional plaintiffs who may seek to be joined to the existing actions. Plaintiffs'  
18 counsel represented that they would seek to join "substantially all" additional plaintiffs by July 16,  
19 2012. The parties agreed that, once these additional plaintiffs' complaints are filed, all the parties  
20 would meet and confer by July 25, 2012, to discuss whether the claims are amenable to class-action  
21 treatment. Following that meet and confer session, the parties are to inform the Court of the outcome  
22 of that discussion by filing a status report, and a further status conference will be conducted on July  
23 27, 2012, at 11:00 a.m. in Courtroom 7. Formal consolidation or class-action treatment of all the  
24 Plaintiffs' claims will be discussed in light of any new plaintiffs sought to be joined to the existing  
25 coordinated actions. Telephonic appearances for the July 27, 2012, status conference are  
26 encouraged. Unless ordered otherwise by the Court as a result of the July 27, 2012, status  
27 conference, Defendants' responses to the complaints shall be filed by no later than August 15, 2012.  
28 Further, although the parties discussed dates for commencement of discovery and the exchange of

1 initial disclosures at the June 27, 2012, status conference, these dates will be revisited at the July 27,  
2 2012, conference in light of additional case filings, the parties' assessment of the procedural posture  
3 of the cases, and any anticipated law and motion practice related to pleadings responsive to the  
4 complaints.

5 Accordingly, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

- 6 1. Plaintiffs shall seek to join any additional plaintiffs to these coordinated proceedings  
7 no later than July 16, 2012;
- 8 2. All parties shall participate in a meet and confer session on or before July 25, 2012,  
9 to discuss whether, in light of additional plaintiffs sought to be joined, the claims of  
10 the plaintiffs are amenable to class-action treatment;
- 11 3. **No later than July 26, 2012**, the parties shall file a brief status update regarding the  
12 results of their meet and confer discussions;
- 13 4. A status conference to discuss the procedural posture of the cases is set for July 27,  
14 2012, at 11:00 a.m. in Courtroom 7;
- 15 5. Any parties wishing to appear telephonically at the July 27, 2012, status conference  
16 shall inform the Courtroom Deputy, Alice Timken, no later than July 26, 2012, at  
17 (559) 499-5790, and those parties shall coordinate one conference call to the Court  
18 at the time of the status conference;
- 19 6. Unless ordered otherwise as a result of the July 27, 2012, conference, all responses  
20 to the complaints shall be filed no later than August 15, 2012; and
- 21 7. In anticipation of additional cases being joined to these coordinated proceedings, all  
22 other dates that were set at the June 20, 2012, status conference are VACATED and  
23 shall be reset at a later date.

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25 IT IS SO ORDERED.

26 **Dated: June 29, 2012**

27 **/s/ Sheila K. Oberto**  
28 **UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE**