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2 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
3 EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

4 MARSHAWN GOVAN dba MKG TAX  
CONSULTANTS,

5 Plaintiff,

6 v.

7 CITY OF CLOVIS, et al.,

8 Defendants.

CASE NO. 1:13-cv-00547-LJO-SMS

ORDER DENYING PLAINTIFF'S REQUEST  
FOR *PRO SE* ACCESS TO ELECTRONIC  
CASE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

(Docs. 10 and 11)

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11 By letters directed to the Court, Plaintiff Marshawn Govan, doing business as MKG Tax  
12 Consultants, has requested permission for access as a *pro se* litigant to this district's electronic  
13 case management system (CM/ECF). Local Rule 133(a) presumes that a *pro se* litigant shall file  
14 and serve paper documents as permitted by the Local Rules. To file electronically requires a *pro*  
15 *se* litigant to secure the permission of the assigned judge or Magistrate Judge. L.R. 133(b)(2).  
16 Securing permission requires submission of a request "as [a] stipulatio[n] as provided by L.R.  
17 143, or, if a stipulation cannot be had, as [a] written motio[n] setting out an explanation of  
18 reasons for the exception." L.R. 133(b)(3). Plaintiff's letter request does not comply with the  
19 Local Rules' requirement.

20 Accordingly, Plaintiff's request for permission to file electronically is DENIED, without  
21 prejudice to his renewing the request at the initial scheduling conference. Pending further order  
22 of this Court, Plaintiff is directed to file all documents in this matter in paper. The Clerk of  
23 Court is directed to mail a copy of this order to Plaintiff.

24 IT IS SO ORDERED.

25 Dated: June 6, 2013

26 /s/ Sandra M. Snyder  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE