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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

LANCE WILLIAMS,

 Plaintiff,

 v.

WASCO STATE PRISON, et al.,

 Defendants.

CASE NO. 1:14-cv-01714-MJS (PC)

PRE-SERVICE ORDER:

1) REQUESTING THE LIMITED APPEARANCE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL TO ASSIST IN IDENTIFYING AND SERVING DEFENDANTS; AND

2) RESETTING TELEPHONIC STATUS CONFERENCE

Date: November 12, 2015
Time: 2:00 p.m., Courtroom 6 (MJS)

Plaintiff is a state prisoner proceeding *pro se* and *in forma pauperis* in this civil rights action brought pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1983. Plaintiff has consented to magistrate judge jurisdiction. (ECF No. 5.) Plaintiff's complaint contains cognizable claims of unconstitutional conduct, but Plaintiff is unable to identify the defendants by name.

On May 13, 2015, the Court found that Plaintiff had stated cognizable Eighth Amendment medical indifference claims against Defendant John Does 1 and 2. (ECF Nos. 10 & 12.) Because service cannot proceed on defendants whose names are not known, the Court opened discovery for the limited purpose of identifying Does 1 and 2. (ECF Nos. 12 and 18.) Information received in response to the Court's order (ECF No. 18) appears to have narrowed the search but not yet definitively identified Does 1 and 2. The Court seeks input from the parties as to how to proceed in light of this new, but still

1 limited, information. The Court requests the voluntary assistance of the Office of the
2 Attorney General in addressing the above issue.

3 To that end, the Court set a telephonic status conference for October 8, 2015.
4 (This hearing originally was set for September 16, 2015, but no one appeared on behalf
5 of CDCR or any potential Defendant.) Unfortunately, because service was not ordered
6 on the Office of the Attorney General, there was no guarantee that an individual from
7 that office would appear at the October 8, 2015, hearing. For that reason, the telephonic
8 status conference will now be reset for Thursday, November 12, 2015, at 2:00 p.m.

9 Accordingly, it is HEREBY ORDERED that:

- 10 1. The October 8, 2015, telephonic status conference before the Honorable
11 Michael J. Seng is continued to **Thursday, November 12, 2015, at 2:00 p.m.**
- 12 2. The Clerk of Court is directed to serve a copy of this order on:
 - 13 a. Supervising Deputy Attorney General Monica Anderson, Office of the
14 Attorney General, and
 - 15 b. The Litigation Coordinator at California Medical Facility in Vacaville,
16 California;
- 17 3. Counsel from the Office of the Attorney General is requested to appear on a
18 limited basis at the status conference for the purpose of determining how best
19 to proceed with identification and service of defendants in this case;
- 20 4. The Attorney General's Office is further asked to arrange for the participation
21 of Plaintiff in the telephonic status conference and to initiate the telephonic
22 conference at: (888) 204-5984, Access Code: 4446176.

23 IT IS SO ORDERED.
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25 Dated: October 8, 2015

26 /s/ Michael J. Seng
27 UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE
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