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3 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**

4 EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

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6 JOSEPH PEREZ,

7 Plaintiff,

8 v.

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10 R. PADILLA,

11 Defendant.

CASE NO. 1:14-cv-01730-DAD-EPG (PC)

**ORDER VACATING SETTLEMENT
CONFERENCE AND TO SHOW CAUSE
WHY SANCTIONS SHOULD NOT
ISSUE FOR FAILURE TO COMPLY
WITH THE ORDER RE: SETTLEMENT
CONFERENCE**

(Doc. 69)

**ORDER SETTING STATUS
CONFERENCE**

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14 A settlement conference in this action is set for February 8, 2018, at 10:00 a.m. before the
15 undersigned.¹ (Doc. 69.) Pursuant to the Order re: Settlement Conference (“Order”), the parties
16 were required to submit a confidential settlement statement to the Court no later than five (5)
17 business days prior to the conference date. (Doc. 74 at 2.) No statement has been received from
18 either party. This Court spends considerable time preparing for settlement conference so as to
19 make it meaningful to the parties and increase the likelihood of settlement success. Settlement is
20 extremely important in this district where the judges have one of the highest caseloads per judge in
21 the United States and they are required in United States District Judge Dale A. Drozd’s cases. The
22 settlement conference statement assists the Court in adequately preparing for these matters. They
23 are not pro forma, and sanctions may be issued for failure to comply with an Order of the Court.

24 Since the parties have failed to comply with the Order requiring the confidential settlement
25 statement to be submitted to the Court, the February 8, 2018, settlement conference shall be
26 vacated, and a telephonic status conference will be set in its place. At the telephonic status
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28 ¹ On January 19, 2018, the Court reiterated the parties’ requirement to attend the February 8, 2018, settlement
conference. (See Doc. 76.)

1 conference, the parties will be expected to discuss the prospects of settlement and proposed dates
2 for re-setting the settlement conference, as well as to show cause why sanctions should not issue
3 for failure to submit their respective confidential settlement statements in compliance with the
4 Order.

5 Accordingly, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

- 6 1. The settlement conference set for February 8, 2018, is VACATED;
- 7 2. A telephonic status conference is set before the undersigned for February 8, 2018,
8 at 10:00 A.M. The parties shall call (888) 557-8511, access code 6208204# at the
9 scheduled time; and
- 10 3. At the conference, the parties shall discuss the prospects of settlement, proposed
11 dates for re-setting the settlement conference, and show cause why sanctions
12 should not issue for failure to comply with the Order.

13 IT IS SO ORDERED.

14 Dated: February 2, 2018

15 */s/ Sheila K. Oberto*
16 UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE