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

JASON ROYCE SIMPSON,

Plaintiff,

v.

RODERICK HICKMAN, et al.,

Defendants.

Case No. 1:14-cv-01763-SAB  
New Case No. 1:14-cv-01763-LJO-SAB

ORDER RELATING ACTION AND  
ASSIGNING TO DOCKET OF DISTRICT  
JUDGE LAWRENCE J. O'NEILL

ORDER DIRECTING THE CLERK TO  
ISSUE INITIAL CASE DOCUMENTS

After being removed from Sacramento County Superior Court, this action was transferred to the Fresno Division of the Eastern District of California on November 10, 2014. The complaint generally alleges that the defendants were deliberately indifferent by housing Plaintiff at Pleasant Valley State Prison due to the prevalence of Valley Fever in the area.

A series of similar actions have been related and consolidated. Review of this action reveals that it is related under Local Rule 123 to the actions entitled Jackson, et al. v. State of California, et al., 1:13-cv-01055-LJO-SAB; and Smith, et al. v. Schwarzenegger, et al., 1:14-cv-00060-LJO-SAB. The actions are based on the same underlying facts and involve overlapping questions of law and fact.

While this action is a prisoner case involving conditions of confinement, since Plaintiff is represented by counsel it shall proceed as a regular civil case. Therefore, the Court shall direct

1 the Clerk's Office to issue the initial case documents for a regular civil action and set a  
2 mandatory scheduling conference.

3 Accordingly, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

- 4 1. The Office of the Clerk shall relate this case with cases 1:13-cv-01055-LJO-SAB  
5 and 1:14-cv-00060-LJO-SAB;
- 6 2. This case shall be assigned to the docket of District Judge Lawrence J. O'Neill;
- 7 3. The Clerk's Office is directed to issue new case documents for a regular civil case  
8 and set a mandatory scheduling conference;
- 9 4. The new case number shall be:

10 1:14-cv-0763-LJO-SAB

11 and all future pleadings and/or correspondence must be so numbered. The parties  
12 are advised that use of an incorrect case number, including initials, may result in a  
13 delay of documents being processed and copies thereof being correctly distributed  
14 and received by the appropriate judicial officer.

15 IT IS SO ORDERED.

16 Dated: November 12, 2014

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19 UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE