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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

DHILLON SINGH, et al.,)	Case No.: 1:15-cv-01435 LJO JLT
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Plaintiffs,)	ORDER TO PLATINIFFS TO SHOW CAUSE
)	WHY SANCTIONS SHOULD NOT BE
v.)	IMPOSED FOR FAILING TO APPEAR AT THE
)	MID-DISCOVERY STATUS CONFERENCE
HANCOCK NATURAL RESOURCES)	
GROUP, INC., et al.,)	
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Defendants.)	
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On July 25, 2016, the Court held the mandatory scheduling conference. (Doc. 34) Neither the plaintiffs nor their counsel, Mr. Jorgensen, appeared. Id. In response to the Court’s order to show cause (Doc. 38), Mr. Jorgensen reported that he inadvertently failed to calendar the scheduling conference. (Doc. 39)

On November 15, 2016, the Court held the mid-discovery status conference. Once again, neither Mr. Jorgensen nor the plaintiffs appeared. Opposing counsel informed the Court that Mr. Jorgensen had experienced a medical emergency several weeks ago. However, it was unknown whether the medical emergency continued. Counsel had telephoned his office before the conference and there was no answer. The Court has consulted the State Bar of California’s website.¹ It reports

¹ The court may take notice of facts that are capable of accurate and ready determination by resort to sources whose accuracy cannot reasonably be questioned. Fed. R. Evid. 201(b); United States v. Bernal-Obeso, 989 F.2d 331, 333

1 that as of November 11, 2016, Mr. Jorgensen is not eligible to practice due to “Discipline w/actual
2 suspension.”

3 Notably, on November 3, 2016, Mr. Jorgensen reported to the defendants’ counsel that he
4 would obtain new representation for the plaintiffs. (Doc. 44 at 4) However, no new counsel has
5 appeared.

6 **ORDER**

7 Based upon the foregoing, the Court **ORDERS**:

8 1. In light of Mr. Jorgensen’s² ineligibility to practice law in this state, the Clerk of the
9 Court is **DIRECTED** to remove him as counsel of record for this case;

10 2. **No later than November 30, 2016**, replacement counsel for Kern Lerdo Nuts, Inc
11 **SHALL** appear in this action (L.R. 183(a)) or **SHALL** show cause in writing why the action should
12 not be dismissed as to it³;

13 3. **No later than November 30, 2016**, replacement counsel for Randeep S. Dhillon aka
14 Dr. Dillon R. Singh **SHALL** appear in this action, he **SHALL** file a statement indicating he will
15 represent himself in this action or he **SHALL** show cause in writing why sanctions, up to and
16 including dismissal of the action as to him, should not be imposed;

17 4. **No later than November 30, 2016**, Randeep S. Dhillon aka Dr. Dillon R. Singh and
18 Kern Lerdo Nuts, Inc. **SHALL** show cause in writing why sanctions, up to and including dismissal of
19 the action, should not be imposed for their failure to appear at the mid-discovery status conference.

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21 IT IS SO ORDERED.

22 Dated: **November 16, 2016**

/s/ Jennifer L. Thurston
23 UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

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27 (9th Cir. 1993). The record of the State bar of California is a source whose accuracy cannot reasonably be questioned,
and the Court takes judicial notice of the information related to Mr. Jorgensen’s eligibility to practice law.

28 ² If Mr. Jorgensen contends that he *is* eligible to practice law, **no later than November 30, 2016**, he **SHALL** file a
declaration and other admissible evidence, as appropriate, demonstrating this fact.

³ A corporation may appear in this action **only** through counsel.