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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

JOHNNY C. THOMAS,  
  
Plaintiff,  
  
v.  
  
MARK KUO,  
  
Defendant.

Case No. 1:16-cv-00524-DAD-EPG

ORDER CONTINUING TRIAL AND  
SETTING SECOND TELEPHONIC TRIAL  
CONFIRMATION HEARING

In light of the Order appointing pro bono counsel to represent plaintiff, Johnny C. Thomas, filed concurrently herewith, and the understanding that the appointment of counsel was conditioned on the continuance of trial to April 2020 or later (ECF Nos. 143, 145),

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

1. The jury trial, currently set for December 10, 2019, is continued to **May 5, 2020, at 1:00 p.m.**, in Courtroom 5 (DAD) before District Judge Dale A. Drozd;
2. A second telephonic trial confirmation hearing is set for **March 2, 2020, at 1:30 p.m.** before District Judge Dale A. Drozd. To participate telephonically, dial into the conference at 877-402-9757, using access code 6966236. Defense Counsel will notify the prison litigation coordinator who will dial into the conference for the plaintiff. Use of any feature(s) that may have an impact upon the quality of voice transmission (such as speakerphones, headsets, etc.) are prohibited; use of a land line or hand-held cell phone is

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required.

3. The Clerk of the Court is directed to serve a copy of this order on Chijioke O. Ikonte, Akudinobi & Ikonte, 3435 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 1520, Los Angeles, CA 90010.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: **October 17, 2019**

/s/ Eric P. Shoup  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE