

1 On July 14, 2017, three court days before the extended deadline for Defendants'
2 responses, Defendants Ferris and Godfrey's newly retained counsel filed a further
3 motion for an additional thirty-one day extension of time to answer. (ECF No. 34.) An
4 attached declaration by counsel for Defendants Ferris and Godfrey's indicates it was not
5 until July 10, 2017, eight days before the end of the 60 day extension, that his firm was
6 asked to represent Defendants Ferris and Godfrey.. (Id.)

7 Districts courts have the inherent power and authority to control their dockets and
8 sanction unnecessary delay. The Court hereby directs counsel for Defendants Lozovoy
9 and Relevante to file, within ten days of the date of this Order, a declaration under
10 penalty of perjury explaining the apparent delay in retaining outside counsel for
11 Defendants Ferris and Godfrey's until the end of the extended time granted for doing so.
12 The Court will consider the contents thereof in determining whether to issue an order to
13 show cause why sanctions should not be imposed for such apparent delay.

14 Based on the foregoing, it is HEREBY ORDERED THAT counsel for Defendants
15 Lozovoy and Relevante shall, within **ten days** of this Order, file a declaration as above
16 directed.

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18 IT IS SO ORDERED.

19 Dated: July 19, 2017

1st Michael J. Seng
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE