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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

MELBA FORD,
Plaintiff,
v.
CAROLINE CIRAOLLO-KLEPPER et al.,
Defendants.

No. 1:17-cv-00034-DAD-EPG

ORDER RELATING AND REASSIGNING
CASES

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
Plaintiff,
v.
MELBA FORD,
Defendant.

No. 1:17-cv-00187-LJO-MJS

New Case Number:
1:17-cr-00187-DAD-EPG

Review of the above-captioned action entitled *United States of America v. Melba Ford*, No. 1:17-cv-00187-LJO-MJS (“*Ford II*”), reveals it is related under this court’s Local Rule 123 to the following action pending before the undersigned: *Melba Ford v. Caroline Ciraolo-Klepper et al.*, No. 1:17-cv-00034-DAD-EPG. These actions involve the same or similar parties, properties, claims, events, and/or questions of fact or law. In addition, the currently assigned district and magistrate judges in the *Ford II* action have not engaged in that matter in any substantial way.

1 Accordingly, assignment of the actions to the undersigned and to Magistrate Judge Erica P.
2 Grosjean will promote efficiency and economy for the court and parties.

3 An order relating cases under this court's Local Rule 123 merely assigns them to the same
4 district judge and magistrate judge, and does not consolidate the cases. Good cause appearing,
5 the court orders that the *Ford II* action is reassigned to U.S. District Judge Dale A. Drozd and
6 U.S. Magistrate Judge Erica P. Grosjean. All documents filed in that action shall bear the new
7 case number:

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9 IT IS SO ORDERED.

10 Dated: March 17, 2017

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13 UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE
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