3 4 5 6 7 8 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 9 EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 10 JAMES BOWELL, 11 1:17-cv-00605-NONE-GSA-PC Plaintiff, 12 **ORDER STRIKING PLAINTIFF'S** SETTLEMENT DOCUMENT RECEIVED 13 VS. ON AUGUST 12, 2020 F. MONTOYA, et al., 14 Defendants. 15 16 On August 12, 2020, Plaintiff submitted a document titled "Settlement," in which he 17 refers to ongoing settlement negotiations with Defendants. Plaintiff indicates that the document 18 was served on defense counsel for this case. As a rule the parties' settlement negotiations are 19 considered confidential. Therefore, the court shall strike the "Settlement" document from the 20 court's record. 21 Accordingly, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Plaintiff's "Settlement" document, 22 submitted to the court on August 12, 2020, is STRICKEN from the court's record. 23 24

/s/ Gary S. Austin

UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

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IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: **August 13, 2020**

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