

1 waived by the parties' participation.

2 Attempting to resolve this matter through settlement now would save the parties the time
3 and expense of preparing for trial. The Court therefore will STAY this action for 30 days to
4 allow the parties to meet and confer and participate in a settlement conference. The Court
5 presumes that all civil rights cases assigned to the undersigned will proceed to a settlement
6 conference. If, however, after meeting and conferring, either party finds that a settlement
7 conference would be a waste of resources, the party may opt out of the settlement conference. If
8 either party opts out or the settlement is unsuccessful, the Court will set the case for trial.

9 Accordingly, it is **ORDERED**:

10 1. This action will be **STAYED for 30 days** to allow the parties an opportunity to
11 settle their dispute. No pleadings or motions may be filed in this case during the stay.

12 2. **Within 30 days** from the date of this Order, the parties shall file a notice if they
13 object to proceeding to a settlement conference or if they believe that settlement is not currently
14 achievable. **If either party objects to a settlement conference, the Court will set the case for**
15 **trial.**

16 4. If the parties consent to a settlement conference or fail to file objections by the
17 expiration period, the Court by separate Order will assign this matter to a United States
18 Magistrate Judge, other than the undersigned, for conducting the settlement conference.

19 5. If the parties reach a settlement prior to the settlement conference, they **SHALL**
20 file a Notice of Settlement as required by Local Rule 160

21 6. The Clerk of Court shall serve Deputy Attorney General Brian S. Chan and
22 Supervising Deputy Attorney General Lawrence Bragg with a copy of Plaintiff's first amended
23 complaint (Doc No. 13); the Court's findings and recommendations denying the merits-based
24 motions for summary judgment (Doc No. 80); and this Order.

25 7. The parties are obligated to keep the Court informed of their current addresses
26 during the stay and the pendency of this action. Changes of address must be reported promptly in
27 a Notice of Change of Address. *See* Local Rule 182(f).

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Dated: September 8, 2021


HELENA M. BARCH-KUCHTA
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE