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13	IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT			
14	FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA			
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16	MARJORIE McCLISS and MARK McCLISS,	CASE NO. 2:07-cv-001154-MCE-KJM		
17	Plaintiffs,	CTIDUL ATION FOR COMPROMICE		
18	v.	STIPULATION FOR COMPROMISE SETTLEMENT; CONSENT DECREE;		
19 20	JIMMIE EARL WARD; ERIC K. SHINSEKI, Secretary of Veterans Affairs; the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA; and DOES 1 through 100, inclusive,	AND ORDER		
2122	Defendants.			
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24	It is hereby stipulated by and between the fo	ollowing parties only: Plaintiffs MARJORIE		
25	McCLISS and MARK McCLISS (hereinafter referred to as "PLAINTIFFS") and Defendant JIMMIE			
26	EARL WARD (hereinafter referred to as "DEFENDANT WARD") as follows:			
27	Pursuant to this STIPULATION FOR COMPROMISE SETTLEMENT and CONSENT			
28	DECREE (hereinafter referred to as "STIPULATED SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT"), PLAINTIFFS			
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and DEFENDANT WARD, who are the only parties to this STIPULATED SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT, hereby agree to resolve and settle the disputes between them arising from or relating to, directly or indirectly, the acts or omissions that are alleged by PLAINTIFFS in their complaints in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of California (Case No. 2:07-cv-00154-MCE-KJM), against DEFENDANT WARD and to further memorialize herein the terms of such resolution and settlement that was reached by and between the parties.

- 2. DEFENDANT WARD agrees to pay to PLAINTIFFS the sum of \$11,000.00 in full settlement and satisfaction of any and all claims, demands, rights, and causes of action that PLAINTIFFS have against DEFENDANT WARD only, arising from and by reason of any and all known and unknown, foreseen and unforeseen bodily and personal injuries, damage to property and the consequences thereof, which have resulted or may in the future result from the acts or omissions that are alleged by PLAINTIFFS in their complaint in the above-captioned action, and which is the subject matter of this action.
- 3. PLAINTIFFS do hereby waive to the fullest extent possible under law any and all rights under Section 1542 of the California Code of Civil Procedure, which reads as follows:

A general release does not extent to claims which the creditor does not know or suspect to exist in his favor at the time of executing the release, which if known by him must have materially affected his settlement with the debtor.

- 4. PLAINTIFFS warrant that they are the sole and lawful owner of all rights, title, and interests in and to every claim and other matter which they purport to release herein, and that they have not heretofore assigned or transferred, or purported or attempted to assign or transfer to any person or entity any claims or other matters herein released.
- 5. This STIPULATED SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT is not, is in no way intended to be, and should not be construed as, an admission of liability or fault on the part of DEFENDANT WARD.
- 6. It is also agreed, by and among the parties, that the amount specified in Paragraph 2 is the total amount of the compromise settlement, and that the all parties agree to bear their own attorney's fees, costs, and expenses incurred in the above-captioned action and in any associated Equal

Employment Opportunity Commission, administrative or tort claims proceedings with the Department of Veterans Affairs, and release each other from any claims for attorney's fees, costs, or expenses.

- 7. The persons signing this STIPULATED SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT warrant and represent that they possess full authority to bind the persons on whose behalf they are signing to the terms of this STIPULATED SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT.
- 8. Payment of the settlement amount by DEFENDANT WARD shall be made by pursuant to the following terms:
 - a. On or before February 26, 2010, DEFENDANT WARD shall pay to "Marjorie McCliss, Mark McCliss and Mastagni, Holdstedt, Amick, Miller & Johnsen, APC" at 1912 I Street, Sacramento, CA 95811, the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00).
 - b. On or before March 26, 2010, DEFENDANT WARD shall pay to "Marjorie McCliss, Mark McCliss and Mastagni, Holdstedt, Amick, Miller & Johnsen, APC" at 1912 I
 Street, Sacramento, CA 95811, the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00).
 - c. On or before April 30, 2010, DEFENDANT WARD shall pay to "Marjorie McCliss, Mark McCliss and Mastagni, Holdstedt, Amick, Miller & Johnsen, APC" at 1912 I
 Street, Sacramento, CA 95811, the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00).
 - d. On or before May 28, 2010, DEFENDANT WARD shall pay to "Marjorie McCliss, Mark McCliss and Mastagni, Holdstedt, Amick, Miller & Johnsen, APC" at 1912 I Street, Sacramento, CA 95811, the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00).
 - e. On or before June 25, 2010, DEFENDANT WARD shall pay to "Marjorie McCliss, Mark McCliss and Mastagni, Holdstedt, Amick, Miller & Johnsen, APC" at 1912 I Street, Sacramento, CA 95811, the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00).
 - f. On or before July 30, 2010, DEFENDANT WARD shall pay to "Marjorie McCliss, Mark McCliss and Mastagni, Holdstedt, Amick, Miller & Johnsen, APC" at 1912 I Street, Sacramento, CA 95811, the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00).
 - g. On or before August 27, 2010, DEFENDANT WARD shall pay to "Marjorie McCliss, Mark McCliss and Mastagni, Holdstedt, Amick, Miller & Johnsen, APC" at 1912 I Street, Sacramento, CA 95811, the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00).

- h. On or before September 24, 2010, DEFENDANT WARD shall pay to "Marjorie McCliss, Mark McCliss and Mastagni, Holdstedt, Amick, Miller & Johnsen, APC" at 1912 I Street, Sacramento, CA 95811, the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00).
- On or before October 29, 2010, DEFENDANT WARD shall pay to "Marjorie McCliss, Mark McCliss and Mastagni, Holdstedt, Amick, Miller & Johnsen, APC" at 1912 I Street, Sacramento, CA 95811, the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00).
- j. On or before November 26, 2010, DEFENDANT WARD shall pay to "Marjorie McCliss, Mark McCliss and Mastagni, Holdstedt, Amick, Miller & Johnsen, APC" at 1912 I Street, Sacramento, CA 95811, the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00).
- k. On or before December 31, 2010, DEFENDANT WARD shall pay to "Marjorie McCliss, Mark McCliss and Mastagni, Holdstedt, Amick, Miller & Johnsen, APC" at 1912 I Street, Sacramento, CA 95811, the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00).
- 1. Said payments shall be deemed late when DEFENDANT WARD fails to either personally deliver or postmark by U.S. Mail the payment as of the date listed for the respective payments. In the event of late payment:
 - i. DEFENDANT WARD shall be deemed in default:
 - ii. The entire remaining balance owed shall be deemed accelerated and all due and payable;
 - iii. A 10% simple interest shall apply on all outstanding principle still owed; and
 - iv. PLAINTIFFS shall be entitled to reimbursement of attorney's fees, costs and expenses incurred while enforcing the terms of this STIPULATED
 SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT and/or the corresponding ORDER.
- 9. PLAINTIFFS shall timely file a notice of satisfaction of judgment upon satisfaction of payment pursuant to the terms included in paragraph 8.
- 10. The parties understand, acknowledge, agree and consent that this Court shall retain jurisdiction in this matter until such time as the terms of the settlement, as described herein, are satisfied.
 - 11. PLAINTIFFS authorize and consent to DEFENDANT WARD filing this STIPULATED

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9				Attorneys for Marjorie and Mark McCliss
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ORDER APPROVING COMPROMISE SETTLEMENT AND CONSENT DECREE

Having read the above stipulation and consent decree of the parties and good cause appearing therefrom, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that this case is settled as to Defendant JIMMIE EARL WARD ("DEFENDANT WARD"). Although the Court will retain jurisdiction in this matter until such time as the terms of the settlement, as described herein, are satisfied, the Clerk of Court is nonetheless directed to close the file at this time.

DEFENDANT WARD shall pay to PLAINTIFFS the sum of \$11,000.00 in full settlement and satisfaction of any and all claims, demands, rights, and causes of action of that PLAINTIFFS have against DEFENDANT WARD. Payment of the settlement amount by DEFENDANT WARD shall be made as follows:

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payment pursuant to the terms. Failure to comply with this ORDER may be grounds for the imposition of sanctions on any and all counsel as well as any party or parties who cause non-compliance with this ORDER. IT IS SO ORDERED. Dated: February 3, 2010 UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE