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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

v.

REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 12001
VICTORY BOULEVARD, NORTH
HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA, LOS ANGELES
COUNTY, APN: 2322-007-056,
INCLUDING ALL APPURTENANCES AND
IMPROVEMENTS THERETO,

Defendant.

) Case No. 2:08-CV-02074 JAM-
) GGH

NOTICE OF RELATED CASES

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

v.

APPROXIMATELY \$23,032.07 IN U.S.
CURRENCY SEIZED FROM BANK OF
AMERICA ACCOUNT NO. 03842-03399,
HELD IN THE NAME OF PAY-LESS
WHOLESALE,

APPROXIMATELY 135,455 CIGARS,
(SMOKEABLE OTP) IN PACKS OF 5, 10,
AND 20 RECOVERED FROM PAY-LESS
WHOLESALE,

APPROXIMATELY 2,297 CIGARS
(SMOKEABLE OTP) IN PACKS OF 50
RECOVERED FROM PAY-LESS WHOLESALE,

APPROXIMATELY 151 CIGARS
(SMOKEABLE OTP) IN PACKS OF 240
RECOVERED FROM PAY-LESS WHOLESALE,

) Case No. 2:08-CV-02753 JAM-
) GGH

1 APPROXIMATELY 326,942 INDIVIDUAL)
CIGARS (SMOKEABLE OTP)RECOVERED)
2 FROM PAY-LESS WHOLESALE,)
3 APPROXIMATELY 57 CASES OF)
SMOKEABLE OTP RECOVERED FROM PAY-)
4 LESS WHOLESALE,)
5 APPROXIMATELY 4,952 BOXES OF)
SMOKEABLE OTP RECOVERED FROM PAY-)
6 LESS WHOLESALE,)
7 APPROXIMATELY 11,584 CANS OF)
SMOKEABLE OTP RECOVERED FROM PAY-)
8 LESS WHOLESALE,)
9 APPROXIMATELY 6,914 TUBS OF)
SMOKEABLE OTP RECOVERED FROM PAY-)
10 LESS WHOLESALE,)
11 APPROXIMATELY 15,141 UNITS OF)
SMOKEABLE OTP IN PACKS OF 5, 10,)
12 AND 20 RECOVERED FROM PAY-LESS)
WHOLESALE,)
13 APPROXIMATELY 136,221 BAGS/POUCHES)
14 OF SMOKEABLE OTP RECOVERED FROM)
PAY-LESS WHOLESALE,)
15 APPROXIMATELY 855 CASES)
16 (CONTAINING APPROXIMATELY 10,608)
UNITS) OF AL FAKHER TOBACCO)
17 SMOKEABLE OTP EVIDENCE RECOVERED)
FROM PAY-LESS WHOLESALE,)
18 APPROXIMATELY 272 CASES)
19 (CONTAINING APPROXIMATELY 6,676)
UNITS) OF AL WAHA MOLASSES TOBACCO)
20 SMOKEABLE OTP EVIDENCE RECOVERED)
FROM PAY-LESS WHOLESALE,)
21 APPROXIMATELY 995 CASES)
22 (CONTAINING APPROXIMATELY 46,112)
UNITS) OF EVA MODSAL TOBACCO)
23 SMOKEABLE OTP EVIDENCE RECOVERED)
FROM PAY-LESS WHOLESALE,)
24 APPROXIMATELY 420 CASES)
25 (CONTAINING APPROXIMATELY 5,040)
UNITS) OF JAWATTER TOBACCO)
26 SMOKEABLE OTP EVIDENCE RECOVERED)
FROM PAY-LESS WHOLESALE,)
27 APPROXIMATELY 1,473 CASES)
28 (CONTAINING APPROXIMATELY 16,674)
UNITS) OF LAYALINA TOBACCO)

1 SMOKEABLE OTP EVIDENCE RECOVERED)
 FROM PAY-LESS WHOLESALE,)
 2)
 3 APPROXIMATELY 352 UNITS OF)
 MISCELLANEOUS SMOKEABLE OTP)
 4 EVIDENCE RECOVERED FROM PAY-LESS)
 WHOLESALE,)
 5)
 6 APPROXIMATELY 2,124 CASES)
 (CONTAINING APPROXIMATELY 14,740)
 7 UNITS) OF MOLASSES TOBACCO)
 SMOKEABLE OTP EVIDENCE RECOVERED)
 FROM PAY-LESS WHOLESALE,)
 8)
 9 APPROXIMATELY 640 CASES)
 (CONTAINING APPROXIMATELY 19,884)
 10 UNITS) OF PRIME TIME CIGARS)
 SMOKEABLE OTP EVIDENCE RECOVERED)
 FROM PAY-LESS WHOLESALE,)
 11)
 12 APPROXIMATELY 113 CASES)
 (CONTAINING APPROXIMATELY 5,112)
 13 UNITS) OF ERIK CIGARS SMOKEABLE)
 OTP EVIDENCE RECOVERED FROM PAY-)
 LESS WHOLESALE,)
 14)
 15 APPROXIMATELY 11 CASES (CONTAINING)
 APPROXIMATELY 440 UNITS) OF HAV-A-)
 16 TAMPA JEWLS CIGARS SMOKEABLE OTP)
 EVIDENCE RECOVERED FROM PAY-LESS)
 WHOLESALE,)
 17)
 18 APPROXIMATELY 5,906 POUCHES OF)
 MOLASSES SMOKEABLE OTP EVIDENCE)
 RECOVERED FROM PAY-LESS WHOLESALE,)
 19)
 20 APPROXIMATELY 1,200 PACKS OF)
 PHILLIES CIGARILLOS SMOKEABLE OTP)
 EVIDENCE RECOVERED FROM PAY-LESS)
 WHOLESALE,)
 21)
 22 Defendants.)
 23)
 24 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)
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 25 Plaintiff,)
 26)
 27 v.)
 28)
 APPROXIMATELY \$6,085.00 IN U.S.)
 CURRENCY,)
 APPROXIMATELY \$32,053.00 IN U.S.)
 CURRENCY,)
 APPROXIMATELY \$555.00 IN U.S.)

Case No. 2:09-CV-00151 JAM-GGH

1 CURRENCY,)
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 2 APPROXIMATELY \$3,900.00 IN U.S.)
 CURRENCY,)
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 4 APPROXIMATELY \$35,261.00 IN U.S.)
 CURRENCY, and)
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 5 APPROXIMATELY TWO CASES OF)
 SMOKELESS TOBACCO,)
 6)
 Defendants.)
 7 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)
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 8 Plaintiff,)
)
 9 v.)
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 10 REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 6525)
 SOUTH BRUCE STREET, LAS VEGAS,)
 11 NEVADA, CLARK COUNTY, APN: 177-02-)
 510-005, INCLUDING ALL)
 APPURTENANCES AND IMPROVEMENTS)
 12 THERETO,)
)
 13 Defendant.)
 14 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)
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 15 Plaintiff,)
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 16 v.)
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 17 APPROXIMATELY \$23,770.87 IN U.S.)
 CURRENCY SEIZED FROM BANK OF)
 18 AMERICA ACCOUNT NO. 0050 1112)
 8989, HELD IN THE NAME OF G&R)
 EMPIRE, LLC,)
 19)
 20 APPROXIMATELY \$6,741.29 IN U.S.)
 CURRENCY SEIZED FROM BANK OF)
 21 AMERICA ACCOUNT NO. 0050 1113)
 0692, HELD IN THE NAME OF PHOENIX)
 22 CASH & CARRY, LLC,)
)
 23 APPROXIMATELY \$9,774.73 IN U.S.)
 CURRENCY SEIZED FROM BANK OF)
 24 AMERICA ACCOUNT NO. 0049 6875)
 8911, HELD IN THE NAME OF IDEAL)
 25 TOBACCO WHOLESALE, INC.,)
)
 26 APPROXIMATELY \$7,054.55 IN U.S.)
 CURRENCY SEIZED FROM WELLS FARGO)
 27 BANK ACCOUNT NO. 671-0134131, HELD)
 IN THE NAME OF BITTAR FAMILY)
 28 TRUST,)
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Case No. 2:08-CV-02075 JAM-GGH

Case No. 2:08-CV-02752 JAM-GGH

1 APPROXIMATELY \$31,402.20 IN U.S.)
CURRENCY SEIZED FROM WELLS FARGO)
2 BANK ACCOUNT NO. 091-1704013, HELD)
IN THE NAME OF RAED MOURI AND)
3 LOUDY EGHO,)

4 APPROXIMATELY \$29,095.02 IN U.S.)
CURRENCY SEIZED FROM WELLS FARGO)
5 BANK ACCOUNT NO. 071-0335696, HELD)
IN THE NAME OF BITTAR FAMILY)
6 TRUST,)

7 APPROXIMATELY 6,954 TOTAL BOXES OF)
ASSORTED SMOKEABLE OTP EVIDENCE)
8 (CONTAINING APPROXIMATELY 431,447)
UNITS OF SMOKEABLE OTP) RECOVERED)
9 FROM IDEAL TOBACCO WHOLESALE,)

10 APPROXIMATELY 22 TOTAL BOXES OF)
SMOKEABLE OTP EVIDENCE (CONTAINING)
11 APPROXIMATELY 1,350 UNITS OF)
SMOKEABLE OTP) RECOVERED FROM THE)
12 ABF DELIVERY TRUCK AT IDEAL)
TOBACCO WHOLESALE, and)

13)
14 APPROXIMATELY 87,595 UNITS OF)
ASSORTED SMOKEABLE OTP EVIDENCE)
15 RECOVERED FROM PHOENIX CASH &)
CARRY,)

16 Defendants.)

17 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA)

18 Plaintiff,)

19 v.)

20)
21 APPROXIMATELY \$4,023.00 IN U.S.)
CURRENCY,)

22 APPROXIMATELY \$1,280.00 IN U.S.)
23 CURRENCY,)

24 APPROXIMATELY \$6,268.00 IN U.S.)
CURRENCY,)

25 APPROXIMATELY \$5,510.00 IN U.S.)
26 CURRENCY, and)

27 APPROXIMATELY 169 BOXES OF)
SMOKELESS TOBACCO,)

28 Defendants.)

Case No.2:09-CV-00111 JAM GGH

1 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)
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3 Plaintiff,)
4 v.)
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6 ADIB SIROPE, RIMOUN MANSOUR, AND)
7 PAY-LESS WHOLESALE,)
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9 Defendants.)
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Case No. 2:10-CR-00258 KJM

7 Examination of the above-entitled actions reveals that these
8 actions are related within the meaning of Local Rule 123 (E.D. Cal.
9 2005). Accordingly, the assignment of the matters to the same judge
10 and magistrate judge is likely to affect a substantial savings of
11 judicial effort and is also likely to be convenient for the
12 parties.

13 The parties should be aware that relating the cases under
14 Local Rule 123 merely has the result that these actions are
15 assigned to the same judge and magistrate judge; no consolidation
16 of the actions is effected. Under the regular practice of this
17 court, related cases are generally assigned to the judge and
18 magistrate judge to whom the first filed action was assigned.

19 IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the action denominated 2:10-CR-
20 00258-KJM be reassigned to Judge John A. Mendez for all further
21 proceedings, and any dates currently set in this reassigned case
22 only are hereby VACATED. Henceforth, the caption on documents
23 filed in the reassigned cases shall be shown as 2:10-CR-00258 JAM.

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