1 2 3 4 5 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 6 7 FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA TUMLINSON GROUP, INC., 8 9 Plaintiff, 10 v. 11 SCOTT D. JOHANNESSEN, et al. Case No. 2:09-cv-1089 JFM Defendants. 12 13 14 SCOTT JOHANNESSEN, et al., 15 Counterclaimants, 16 v. 17 TUMLINSON GROUP, INC., et al., 18 Counterdefendants. **ORDER** 19 20 This court has reviewed an email sent from defendant Scott Johannessen to the 21 courtroom deputy dated January 28, 2011 asking the courtroom deputy for advice on how to 22 proceed concerning difficulties Mr. Johannessen is having regarding the jury trial scheduled for 23 Monday, January 31, 2011. Mr. Johannessen is a licensed attorney and member of the bar of this 24 court. As such, he should understand that this is not a proper question to put to court staff and, 25 additionally, that this ex parte communication is not a proper vehicle for seeking court action. ///// 26

Accordingly, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that a printed copy of the email be filed as a part of the record of this case and the email shall be otherwise disregarded.

DATED: January 28, 2011

UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

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