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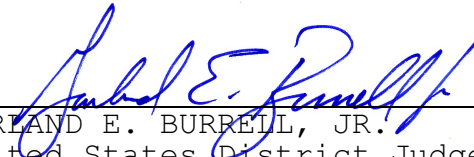
IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

TAMARA DUMAS, as an individual)	
and as Guardian Ad Litem for)	2:09-cv-01573-GEB-JFM
KATELIN DUMAS and KIMBERLY)	
DUMAS; RICK DUMAS, as an)	
individual,)	<u>ORDER</u>
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Plaintiffs,)	
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v.)	
)	
CITY OF ELK GROVE; Elk Grove)	
Police Officer CHRISTOPHER DIAZ)	
(Badge #127); Elk Grove Police)	
Officer ALI KHALIL (Badge #164);)	
Elk Grove Police Officer LANCE)	
MCDANIEL (Badge #158), Elk Grove)	
Police Sergeant WALLY SMITH)	
(Badge #23), Elk Grove Police)	
Chief ROBERT SIMMONS,)	
)	
Defendants.)	
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In light of Plaintiffs' counsel's motion to withdraw as attorney of record, Tamara Dumas and Rick Dumas shall personally appear at the scheduled hearing on the motion at 9:00 a.m. on December 6, 2010. Further, should the motion be granted, each minor's lawsuit may be dismissed since a guardian ad litem cannot represent children without retaining a lawyer. As the Ninth circuit stated in Johns v. County of San Diego, 114 F.3d 874, 876 (9th Cir. 1997): "[A] non-attorney parent must be represented by counsel in bringing an action on behalf of his or her child."

1 Plaintiffs' counsel shall provide a copy of this order to
2 Plaintiffs.

3 Dated: November 3, 2010

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7 GARLAND E. BURRELL, JR.
8 United States District Judge
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