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Examination of the above-captioned actions reveals that they are related within the meaning of Local Rule 123(a). All three actions involve the same parties and similar questions of fact. Accordingly, the assignment of these matters to the same judge is likely to effect a substantial savings of judicial effort and is likely to be convenient for the parties.

The parties should be aware that relating cases under Rule 123 causes the actions to be assigned to the same judge – it does not consolidate the actions. Under Rule 123, related cases are generally assigned to the judge and magistrate judge to whom the first filed action was assigned.

As a result, it is hereby ORDERED that CIV S-11-0897 JAM-JFM, is reassigned from Judge Mendez to the undersigned and from Magistrate Judge Moulds to Magistrate Judge Hollows. Henceforth, the caption on documents filed in the reassigned case shall be shown as: CIV S-11-0897 KJM-GGH.

It is further ORDERED that the Clerk of the Court make appropriate adjustment in the assignment of civil cases to compensate for this reassignment.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED: May 10, 2011.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE