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

DWIGHT WHITAKER, individually and on
behalf of a class of similarly situated
individuals,

Plaintiffs

No. CIV S-11-0910 KJM-DAD

vs.

HEALTH NET OF CALIFORNIA, INC.;
HEALTH NET, INC.; and INTERNATIONAL
BUSINESS MACHINES CORPORATION,

Defendants.

PORNPETCH ASSAVARUNGNIRUN, individually
and on behalf of a class of similarly situated
individuals,

Plaintiffs,

No. CIV S-11-1008 JAM EFB

vs.

HEALTH NET OF CALIFORNIA, INC.;
HEALTH NET, INC.; and INTERNATIONAL
BUSINESS MACHINES CORPORATION,

Defendants.

RELATED CASE ORDER

Examination of the above-captioned actions reveals that they are related within
the meaning of Local Rule 123(a). Both are purported class actions involving the loss of

1 confidential medical and other personal information by defendants Health Net of California,
2 Health Net and International Business Machines Corporation and raise the same three causes of
3 action. Accordingly, the assignment of these matters to the same judge is likely to effect a
4 substantial savings of judicial effort and is likely to be convenient for the parties.

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

9 As a result, it is hereby ORDERED that CIV S-11-1008 is reassigned from Judge
10 Mendez to the undersigned and from Magistrate Judge Brennan to Magistrate Judge Drozd.
11 Henceforth, the caption on documents filed in the reassigned case shall be shown as: CIV S-11-
12 1008 KJM DAD.

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

15 DATED: May 3, 2011.

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18 UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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