1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 9 EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 10 ----00000----11 12 CIV. NO. 2:13-1989 WBS CKD VICKI ESTRADA; PATRICIA GOODMAN; and KIM-WILLIAMS 13 BRITT, individually and behalf of all others 14 similarly situated, Plaintiffs, 15 16 V. 17 IYOGI, INC., a New York Corporation 18 Defendant. 19 20 ----00000----2.1 STATUS (PRETRIAL SCHEDULING) ORDER 22 After reviewing the parties' Joint Status Report, the 23 court hereby vacates the Status (Pretrial Scheduling) Conference 24 scheduled for March 31, 2014, and makes the following findings 25 and orders without needing to consult with the parties any 26 further. 2.7

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I. SERVICE OF PROCESS

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All remaining defendants have been served, and no further service is permitted without leave of court, good cause having been shown under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 16(b).

II. JOINDER OF PARTIES/AMENDMENTS

After May 9, 2014, no further joinder of parties or amendments to pleadings will be permitted except with leave of court, good cause having been shown under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 16(b). See Johnson v. Mammoth Recreations, Inc., 975 F.2d 604 (9th Cir. 1992).

III. JURISDICTION/VENUE

Jurisdiction is predicated upon federal question jurisdiction, 28 U.S.C. § 1331, because plaintiffs' claims arise under the Telephone Consumer Protection Act, 47 U.S.C. § 227. Venue is undisputed and is hereby found to be proper.

IV. DISCOVERY

The parties shall serve the initial disclosures required by Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 26(a)(1) by no later than April 4, 2014.

All non-expert discovery shall be so conducted as to be completed by August 1, 2014. The word "completed" means that all discovery shall have been conducted so that all depositions have been taken and any disputes relevant to discovery shall have been resolved by appropriate order if necessary and, where discovery has been ordered, the order has been obeyed. All motions to compel discovery must be noticed on the magistrate judge's calendar in accordance with the local rules of this court and so that such motions may be heard (and any resulting orders obeyed)

not later than August 1, 2014.

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Plaintiffs shall disclose experts and produce reports relating to class certification in accordance with Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 26(a)(2) by no later than September 2, 2014. Defendants shall disclose experts and produce reports relating to class certification in accordance with Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 26(a)(2) by no later than October 1, 2014. All expert discovery relating to class certification shall be so conducted as to be completed, as that term is used above, by November 3, 2014.

The parties request that the court refrain from setting a cut-off date for expert discovery on merits issues prior to the resolution of the class certification motion that plaintiffs anticipate filing. However, good case management requires that all pending cases be fully scheduled. Plaintiffs shall disclose experts and produce reports relating to merits issues in accordance with Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 26(a)(2) by no later than March 13, 2015. Defendants shall disclose experts and produce reports relating to merits issues in accordance with Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 26(a)(2) by no later than April 10, 2015. All expert discovery relating to merits issues shall be so conducted as to be completed, as that term is used above, by May 1, 2015.

V. MOTION HEARING SCHEDULE

Plaintiffs indicate that they plan to file a motion for class certification, and shall file that motion on or before December 2, 2014. Defendant shall file its opposition on or before January 7, 2015, and plaintiffs shall file their reply on

or before January 28, 2015. The court shall hear the motion for class certification on February 9, 2015, or as soon thereafter as the motion can be heard.

All other motions, except motions for continuances, temporary restraining orders, or other emergency applications, shall be filed on or before May 22, 2015. All motions shall be noticed for the next available hearing date. Counsel are cautioned to refer to the local rules regarding the requirements for noticing and opposing such motions on the court's regularly scheduled law and motion calendar.

VI. FINAL PRETRIAL CONFERENCE

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The Final Pretrial Conference is set for July 20, 2015, at 2:00 p.m. in Courtroom No. 5. The conference shall be attended by at least one of the attorneys who will conduct the trial for each of the parties and by any unrepresented parties.

Counsel for all parties are to be fully prepared for trial at the time of the Pretrial Conference, with no matters remaining to be accomplished except production of witnesses for oral testimony. Counsel shall file separate pretrial statements, and are referred to Local Rules 281 and 282 relating to the contents of and time for filing those statements. In addition to those subjects listed in Local Rule 281(b), the parties are to provide the court with: (1) a plain, concise statement which identifies every non-discovery motion which has been made to the court, and its resolution; (2) a list of the remaining claims as against each defendant; and (3) the estimated number of trial days.

In providing the plain, concise statements of

undisputed facts and disputed factual issues contemplated by Local Rule 281(b)(3)-(4), the parties shall emphasize the claims that remain at issue, and any remaining affirmatively pled defenses thereto. If the case is to be tried to a jury, the parties shall also prepare a succinct statement of the case, which is appropriate for the court to read to the jury.

VII. TRIAL SETTING

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The jury trial is set for September 22, 2015, at 9:00 a.m. The parties estimate that a jury trial will take approximately five court days.

VIII. SETTLEMENT CONFERENCE

A Settlement Conference will be set at the time of the Pretrial Conference. All parties should be prepared to advise the court whether they will stipulate to the trial judge acting as settlement judge and waive disqualification by virtue thereof.

Counsel are instructed to have a principal with full settlement authority present at the Settlement Conference or to be fully authorized to settle the matter on any terms. At least seven calendar days before the Settlement Conference counsel for each party shall submit a confidential Settlement Conference Statement for review by the settlement judge. If the settlement judge is not the trial judge, the Settlement Conference Statements shall not be filed and will not otherwise be disclosed to the trial judge.

IX. MODIFICATIONS TO SCHEDULING ORDER

Any requests to modify the dates or terms of this Scheduling Order, except requests to change the date of the trial, may be heard and decided by the assigned Magistrate Judge.

All requests to change the trial date shall be heard and decided only by the undersigned judge. Dated: March 18, 2014 UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE