1 2 3 4 5 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 6 7 8 No. 2:14-cv-02570-GEB-CKD UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, ex rel ROGER LEMAUX, Relator; the STATE OF CALIFORNIA, ex rel ROGER LEMAUX, Relator; 10 ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE AND Plaintiff, CONTINUING STATUS (PRETRIAL 11 SCHEDULING) CONFERENCE; FED. R. v. CIV. P. 4(M) NOTICE 12 MAGNUM EQUIPMENT, INC.; N & S 1.3 TRACTOR CO.; DEL MAR FARMS; W FARMS; LEE DELDON; JOHN 14 MARING; and ROBERT WILLIAMS; 15 Defendant. 16 17 The October 5, 2015, Order Setting Status (Pretrial 18 Scheduling) Conference scheduled a status conference in this case on November 23, 2015, and required the parties to file a joint 19 status report no later than fourteen (14) days prior to the 20 scheduling conference. That Order further required a status 2.1

report be filed regardless of whether a joint report could be procured. No status report was filed as ordered.

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Therefore, Plaintiff is Ordered to Show Cause ("OSC") in a writing to be filed no later than November 30, 2015, why sanctions should not be imposed against him and/or his counsel under Rule 16(f) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure for failure to file a timely status report. The written response

shall also state whether Plaintiff or his counsel is at fault, and whether a hearing is requested on the OSC. If a hearing is requested, it will be held on March 14, 2016, at 9:00 a.m., just prior to the status conference, which is rescheduled to that date and time. A joint status report shall be filed no later than fourteen (14) days prior to the status conference.

Further, Plaintiff is notified under Rule 4(m) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure that failure to serve each Defendant with process within the 120 day period prescribed in that Rule may result in the unserved defendant(s) and/or this action being dismissed. To avoid dismissal, on or before February 5, 2016, Plaintiff shall file proof of service for each defendant or a sufficient explanation why service was not completed within Rule 4(m)'s prescribed service period.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: November 17, 2015

Senior United States District Judge

GARLAND E. BURRELL, JR.

[&]quot;If the fault lies with the attorney, that is where the impact of sanction should be lodged. If the fault lies with the clients, that is where the impact of the sanction should be lodged." In re Sanction of Baker, 744 F.2d 1438, 1442 (10th Cir. 1984), cert. denied, 471 U.S. 1014 (1985). Sometimes the faults of attorneys, and their consequences, are visited upon clients. Myers v. Shekter (In re Hill), 775 F.2d 1385, 1387 (9th Cir. 1985).