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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

DANIEL E. GONZALEZ,
Plaintiff,
v.
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, et al.,
Defendants.

No. 2:15-cv-1997 MCE DB PS

ORDER

Plaintiff is proceeding in this action pro se. This matter was, therefore, referred to the undersigned in accordance with Local Rule 302(c)(21) and 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1). On February 3, 2017, defendant filed an answer.¹

Accordingly, pursuant to the provisions of Rule 16 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, **IT IS ORDERED** that:

1. A Status (Pretrial Scheduling) Conference is set for **Friday, May 19, 2017, at 10:00 a.m.**, at the United States District Court, 501 I Street, Sacramento, California, in Courtroom No. 27, before the undersigned.

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¹ On February 23, 2017, plaintiff filed a request for 30-day extension of time to explore a stay or settlement of these proceedings. (ECF No. 22.) Because the May 19, 2017 date accommodates plaintiff's request, his motion is denied as having been rendered moot.

1 2. All parties are required to appear at the Status Conference, either by counsel or, if
2 proceeding in propria persona, on his or her own behalf. Any party may appear at the status
3 conference telephonically if the party pre-arranges such appearance by contacting Pete Buzo, the
4 courtroom deputy of the undersigned magistrate judge, at (916) 930-4128, no later than 48 hours
5 before the Status (Pretrial Scheduling) Conference; a party may not appear telephonically over a
6 cellphone.

7 3. Plaintiff shall file and serve a status report on or before **May 5, 2017**, and defendant
8 shall file and serve a status report on or before **May 12, 2017**. Each party's status report shall
9 address all of the following matters:

- 10 a. Progress of service of process;
- 11 b. Possible joinder of additional parties;
- 12 c. Possible amendment of the pleadings;
- 13 d. Jurisdiction and venue;
- 14 e. Anticipated motions and the scheduling thereof;
- 15 f. Anticipated discovery and the scheduling thereof, including disclosure of
16 expert witnesses;
- 17 g. Future proceedings, including the setting of appropriate cut-off dates for
18 discovery and for law and motion, and the scheduling of a final pretrial
19 conference and trial;
- 20 h. Modification of standard pretrial procedures specified by the rules due to
21 the relative simplicity or complexity of the action;
- 22 i. Whether the case is related to any other case, including matters in
23 bankruptcy;
- 24 j. Whether the parties will stipulate to the magistrate judge assigned to this
25 matter acting as settlement judge, waiving any disqualification by virtue of
26 his so acting, or whether they prefer to have a Settlement Conference
27 before another magistrate judge;
- 28 k. Whether the parties intend to consent to proceed before a United States
Magistrate Judge; and

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1. Any other matters that may aid in the just and expeditious disposition of this action.

4. The parties are cautioned that failure to file a status report or failure to appear at the status conference may result in an order imposing an appropriate sanction. See Local Rules 110 and 183.

Dated: March 6, 2017


DEBORAH BARNES
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

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