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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

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SCOTT JOHNSON,
Plaintiff,
v.
EDWIN P. CHAN, JUDY K. CHAN,
and DOES 1-10,
Defendants.

CIV. NO. 2:16-00455 WBS AC

ORDER REFERRING CASE TO VDRP AND
STAYING PROCEEDINGS

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The court has determined that this case is appropriate for referral to the court's Voluntary Dispute Resolution Program ("VDRP").

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. Within fourteen (14) days of this Order, the parties shall contact the court's VDRP administrator, Sujean Park, at (916) 930-4278 or SPark@caed.uscourts.gov, to start the process of selecting an appropriate neutral. The parties shall

1 carefully review and comply with Local Rule 271, which outlines
2 the specifications and requirements of the VDRP.

3 2. Any party that objects to this referral to the
4 VDRP shall file its objections within seven (7) days of this
5 Order. Such objections shall clearly outline why that party
6 believes that the action is not appropriate for referral to the
7 VDRP.

8 3. To avoid the unnecessary expenditure of costs and
9 attorneys' fees, this action is hereby stayed to provide the
10 parties time to complete the VDRP session. No later than five
11 (5) days after completion of the VDRP session, the parties shall
12 file a joint statement indicating whether a settlement was
13 reached.

14 4. The court hereby resets the Status (Pretrial
15 Scheduling) Conference for September 26, 2016 at 1:30pm. If a
16 settlement is not reached at the VDRP session, the parties shall
17 submit an Amended Joint Status Report two weeks prior to the
18 Status (Pretrial Scheduling) Conference.

19 IT IS SO ORDERED.

20 Dated: June 29, 2016

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22 WILLIAM B. SHUBB
23 UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE
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