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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

JEANNETTE COOKS, an individual; and
ALWENA FRAZIER, an individual; for
themselves and on behalf of all others
similarly situated,

Plaintiffs,

v.

TNG GP, a Delaware General Partnership;
THE NEWS GROUP, INC., a Delaware
Corporation; SELECT MEDIA
SERVICES, L.L.C., a Delaware Limited
Liability Company, and, DOES 1 through
10, inclusive,

Defendants.

No. 2:16-cv-02113-KJM-KJN

AUDREY L. BROWN, et al,

Plaintiffs,

v.

SELECT MEDIA SERVICES, L.L.C., et
al.,

Defendants.

No. 2:16-cv-3036-KJM-AC

RELATED CASE ORDER

1 Examination of the above-captioned actions reveals that they are related within the
2 meaning of Local Rule 123(a). Here, both actions involve the same defendants, “are based on the
3 same or a similar claim,” and “both actions involve similar questions of fact and the same
4 question[s] of law and their assignment to the same Judge or Magistrate Judge is likely to effect a
5 substantial savings of judicial effort.” Local Rule 123(a)(1), (3). Additionally, not relating these
6 actions would “entail substantial duplication of labor if the actions were heard by different
7 Magistrate Judges.” Local Rule 123(a)(4). Accordingly, the assignment of these matters to the
8 same magistrate judge is likely to effect a substantial savings of judicial effort and is likely to be
9 convenient for the parties.

10 The parties should be aware that relating cases under Rule 123 causes the actions
11 to be assigned to the same judge—it does not consolidate the actions. Under Rule 123, related
12 cases are generally assigned to the judge and magistrate judge to whom the first-filed action was
13 assigned. Because Case No. 2:16-cv-3036-KJM-AC was related previously to Case No. 2:16-cv-
14 1160-KJM-AC, the first-filed action here is 2:16-cv-1160-KJM-AC. *See Cooks et al. v. Select*
15 *Media Services, L.L.C. et al.*, No. 2:16-cv-1160-KJM-AC, ECF No 37.

16 As a result, it is hereby ORDERED that Case No. 2:16-cv-2113-KJM-KJN is
17 reassigned from Magistrate Judge Kendall J. Newman to Magistrate Judge Allison Claire. The
18 caption on documents filed in the reassigned case shall be shown as: No. 2:16-cv-2113-KJM-AC.

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

21 IT IS SO ORDERED.

22 DATED: July 31, 2018.

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25 UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE
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