



1 In his response, Mr. Stieglitz states his client, Reginald Watkins, retained Ms.  
2 Drake's New Jersey law firm, RC Law Group, PLLC, and later retained Mr. Stieglitz "to serve as  
3 California counsel in this action." ECF No. 20 at p. 3. Mr. Stieglitz refers to Ms. Drake as his  
4 "co-counsel." *Id.* He further states Ms. Drake "drafted the initial Discovery Plan," but later  
5 sought review, comments and approval from Mr. Stieglitz. *Id.* Mr. Stieglitz indicates Ms. Drake  
6 plans "to ensure compliance with local rules" by submitting a pro hac vice application to this  
7 court when she receives a certificate of good standing from the state of New Jersey. ECF No. 22,  
8 p. 2.

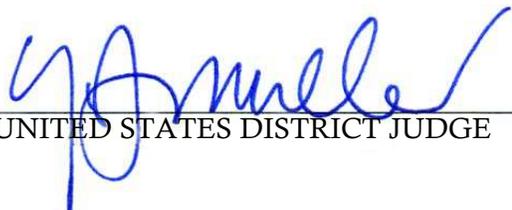
9 Local Rule 182(a)(1) provides "no attorney may participate in any action unless  
10 the attorney has appeared as an attorney of record." Local Rule 180(b)(2) provides, "[a]n  
11 attorney who is a member in good standing of, and eligible to practice before, the Bar of any  
12 United States Court or of the highest Court of any State, . . . and who has been retained to appear  
13 in this Court may, upon application and in the discretion of the Court, be permitted to appear and  
14 participate in a particular case."

15 Mr. Stieglitz represents Ms. Drake is plaintiff's attorney in this action and has  
16 participated in litigating plaintiff's case. *See* ECF No. 20, p. 3. Ms. Drake is not an attorney of  
17 record and had not submitted an application to proceed pro hac vice in this court prior to  
18 participating in this action, and not until prompted by this court's order to show cause to Mr.  
19 Stieglitz.

20 Accordingly, Ms. Drake is ORDERED to SHOW CAUSE by November 3, 2017  
21 why she should not be sanctioned \$250.00 for failing to comply with local rules.

22 IT IS SO ORDERED.

23 DATED: October 30, 2017.

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26 UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE  
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