

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT For the Northern District of California chambers' security entrance to notify the Court of their arrival. All parties and their counsel of
 record are required to attend the settlement conference in person, with full authority to negotiate and
 settle the case. Counsel who attends the settlement conference without full authority to settle may be
 subject to sanctions, pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 16(f). Parties may only be excused
 from attending the settlement conference in person upon written authorization from Magistrate Judge
 James. Any such request must be submitted at least 14 days in advance of the conference.

To reschedule a settlement conference, counsel shall contact the Courtroom Deputy, Rose
Maher, at (415) 522-4708 at least seven days in advance to obtain a new date. Counsel shall confirm
the new date and time with opposing counsel and thereafter file a joint stipulation and proposed order
which sets forth the new date and time of the settlement conference. The original settlement
conference date will remain on calendar until the Court receives said joint stipulation.

Settlement Conference statements are due at least seven days in advance of the conference.
The statements shall not be filed and shall not be served upon other parties or their counsel. Only the
Court and its personnel shall have access to these statements. Statements shall be submitted in a
sealed envelope to the Clerk's Office, located at 450 Golden Gate Avenue, 16th Floor, P.O. Box
36060, San Francisco, California 94102. Envelopes should be prominently marked

17 "CONFIDENTIAL - SETTLEMENT CONFERENCE STATEMENT - DO NOT FILE."

18 The form and content of the statement may vary depending on the case. Generally, the19 statement shall include the following:

20 1. <u>Statement of Facts.</u> A brief description of the facts giving rise to the case.

21 2. <u>Summary of Proceedings.</u> A brief summary of the proceedings to date.

22 3. <u>Undisputed Matters.</u> A brief statement of all material facts not in dispute.

23 4. <u>Disputed Issues of Fact.</u> A brief statement of disputed material facts.

24 5. <u>Disputed Issues of Law.</u> A brief statement of the disputed points of law, including reference

25 to specific statutes and decisions relied upon. Extended legal argument is not appropriate.

- 26 Reference may be made to Points and Authorities previously filed.
- 27 6. <u>Relief Sought.</u> A statement of the relief sought, including an itemization of all elements of
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	7.	<u>Prior Settlement Discussions.</u> A chronological summary of prior settlement negotiations, including settlement offers and responses thereto.
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	8.	<u>Settlement Analysis.</u> A forthright evaluation of the strengths and weaknesses of your case and
6	0	the probabilities of prevailing on the major issues in dispute.
	9.	Discrete Issues. Identify and prioritize any discrete issues which, if resolved, would aid in the
8	10	disposition of the case.
	10.	Current Settlement Position. Set forth a reasonable proposal of settlement.
10		IT IS SO ORDERED.
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	Dated:	April 6, 2012
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