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 8 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
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 10 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

11 VALERIE GEORGE, as Administrator and
 12 Personal Representative of THE ESTATE)
 OF RYAN GEORGE; VALERIE GEORGE)
 13 and TAJMAH BEAUCHAMP, as Legal
 Representatives for Jaida George and Ryan)
 14 George, Jr.; VALERIE GEORGE,
 Individually; DONALD GEORGE; and)
 15 TAJMAH BEAUCHAMP, Individually,)

16 Plaintiffs,)

17 v.)

18 SONOMA COUNTY SHERIFF'S)
 19 DEPARTMENT; BILL COGBILL;)
 COUNTY OF SONOMA; CALIFORNIA)
 20 FORENSIC MEDICAL GROUP, INC;)
 JAMES LUDERS, M.D.; MICHAEL E.)
 21 DAGEY, R.N.; SUTTER HEALTH;)
 SUTTER MEDICAL CENTER OF SANTA)
 22 ROSA; EDWARD W. HARD, M.D.;)
 RICHARD FLINDERS, M.D.; JOSEPH N.)
 23 MATEL, M.D.; NORICK JANIAN, M.D.;)
 and DOES 1 through 25, inclusive,)

24 Defendants.)
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CASE NO.: 3:08-cv-02675-EDL

**(PROPOSED) ORDER GRANTING
 DEFENDANTS' REQUEST FOR LEAD
 TRIAL COUNSEL TO BE EXCUSED FROM
 APPEARING AT INITIAL CASE
 MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE**

[Civil Local Rules, Rule 16-10(a)]

Date: December 16, 2008
 Time: 9:00 a.m.
 Place: Courtroom E, 15th Floor
 450 Golden Gate Avenue
 San Francisco, CA 94102
 Before: Hon. Elizabeth D. Laporte

26 Pursuant to Civil Local Rules, Rule 16-10(a), Defendants SUTTER HEALTH and SUTTER
 27 MEDICAL CENTER OF SANTA ROSA respectfully request their lead trial counsel, Barry Vogel,
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1 to be excused from attending the Initial Case Management Conference due to a calendar conflict,
2 and to have defense counsel, Larry Thornton, personally appear at the Initial Case Management
3 Conference in the place and stead of Mr. Vogel. Mr. Thornton is extensively familiar with this
4 case and has done almost all of the discovery and investigation in this case to date. Mr. Vogel has
5 conflicting matters in other cases that he is more extensively involved in.

6 **(PROPOSED) ORDER**

7 **THE REQUEST IS GRANTED.**

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9 Dated: December 12, 2008

