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## VIA E-FILE

Hon. Edward M. Chen  
 United States District Court  
 Northern District Of California  
 U.S. Courthouse  
 450 Golden Gate Avenue  
 San Francisco, CA 94102

Re: Request for Brief Continuance of Initial Case Management Conference  
 or, in the Alternative, Request for Telephonic Appearance

Dear Judge Chen:

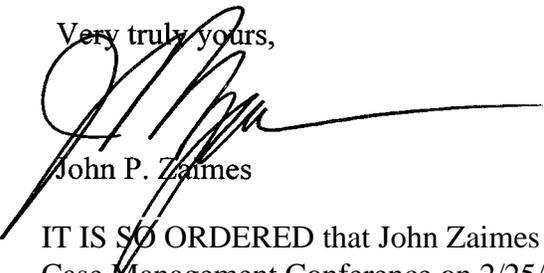
I am writing at the suggestion of your clerk, Betty Lee to request a brief continuance of the Case Management Conference in Harris v. Vector Marketing, Case No. CV 08 5198 EMC. I have injured my left knee somehow to such a degree that I have great difficulty walking. My best guess is that it is a further tear of a slightly torn meniscus that I have had for the past few months. I have an appointment to see the orthopedist on Thursday, though I was hoping to get in to see him tomorrow, Wednesday, but for the scheduled Case Management Conference.

I appreciate that the Court prefers to have counsel appear in person and I am happy to do that but would request that the Court continue the hearing to allow me to do so. If the Court wants to keep tomorrow's hearing on calendar, I request that the Court allow me to appear telephonically because it is painful for me to walk, and the travel from Los Angeles will be extremely difficult.

I have spoken with counsel for plaintiff, Larry Lee, and he would prefer having me appear by telephone (he intends to appear in person) over continuing the Case Management Conference.

Thank you for your consideration.

Very truly yours,

  
 John P. Zaimes

JPZ:lc  
 cc: Larry Lee (via e-mail)

IT IS SO ORDERED that John Zaimes may appear by phone at the Case Management Conference on 2/25/09 at 1:30 p.m. Court will initiate call.

Edward M. Chen, U.S. Magistrate

