United States of America has filed opposition to the extent the motion seeks dismissal without, rather than with, prejudice. Having read and considered the parties' respective written submissions, the Court deems the matter suitable for decision thereon, VACATES the hearing scheduled for January 20, 2012 and rules as follows.

The motion to dismiss without prejudice is hereby DENIED, for the reason that Vicki Seidel's claims and the claims of the other two plaintiffs are inextricably intertwined. <u>See, e.g., Hyde & Drath v. Baker, 24 F.3d 1162, 1169 (9th Cir. 1994)</u> (denying motion to dismiss where movant's claims "inextricably entangled" in ongoing lawsuit), with the potential for inconsistent decisions should her claims be refiled in a separate action.

United States District Judge

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: January 17, 2012