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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
Northern District of California

THOMAS DUNN,

Plaintiff,

v.

MARIN COUNTY, et al.,

Defendants.

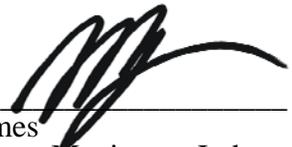
No. C 10-0969 MEJ

**ORDER DENYING MOTION TO
WITHDRAW AS COUNSEL**

Pending before the Court is the motion of Richard Sax, Plaintiff's counsel of record, to withdraw from the case. (Dkt. #26.) In his motion, Mr. Sax states that he and Plaintiff "have fundamental and irreconcilable conflict regarding the prosecution of this litigation." However, given that discovery is scheduled to close on December 7, 2010, the Court finds it would prejudice Defendants to permit counsel to withdraw at this point in the case. Accordingly, the Court DENIES counsel's motion. Mr. Sax may file a renewed motion after the close of discovery and resolution of any discovery disputes, if necessary at that time. If Plaintiff intends to seek new counsel in place of Mr. Sax, the parties may jointly request a continuance of any pretrial and trial deadlines after discovery to permit Plaintiff the necessary time to seek new counsel.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: November 16, 2010



Maria-Elena James
Chief United States Magistrate Judge