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16	MICHAEL ALMY, JASON KNIGHT, and ANTHONY LOVERDE,	Case No. cv 10-5627 (RS)		
17	Plaintiffs,	STIPULATION TO STAY PROCEEDINGS		
18	v.			
19	UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF			
20	DEFENSE; ROBERT M. GATES, Secretary of Defense; DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR			
21	FORCE; MICHAEL B. DONLEY, Secretary, Department of the Air Force; DEPARTMENT			
22	OF THE NAVY; and RAY MABUS, Secretary, Department of the Navy,			
23	Defendants.			
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## **STIPULATION**

Pursuant to Civil Local Rules 6-2, 7-11, and 7-12, and for the reasons set forth below, plaintiff Michael Almy and the Government Defendants file this stipulation to stay all proceedings in this case.

On July 5, 2012, Plaintiff Almy filed a Motion for Partial Summary Judgment. (ECF No. 70.) Defendants' opposition and their own Motion to Dismiss or, in the alternative, Motion for Summary Judgment (collectively, with Plaintiff's motion, the "Summary Judgment/Dismissal Motions"), was due on August 10, 2012. Because Defendants indicated that they intended to attach documents and quote from documents that Plaintiff believes should be filed under seal, the parties stipulated that the briefing schedule on the two Summary Judgment/Dismissal Motions should be stayed pending resolution of a protective order regarding the material at issue. (ECF No. 78.) On August 9, 2012, the Court granted that stipulation. (ECF No. 79.)

On August 24, 2012, Plaintiff Almy filed a Motion for Protective Order under seal.

Defendants filed an opposition under seal on September 7, 2012, and Plaintiff filed a reply under seal on September 14, 2012. The Motion for Protective Order was most recently set to be heard by this Court on October 15, 2012, at 1:30 p.m. (ECF No. 89.) On October 10, 2012, the Court vacated the October 15 hearing date and the motion was submitted without oral argument. (ECF No. 90.) Five business days following the Court's ruling on the Motion for Protective Order, the briefing on the two Summary Judgment/Dismissal Motions shall resume pursuant to a revised briefing schedule ordered by the Court. (ECF No. 79 at 3.)

The parties are currently discussing a potential resolution to this case without further litigation. To continue exploring the possibility of such a resolution, and in the interest of judicial economy, the parties have reached the following stipulation, subject to the Court's approval:

• That all proceedings in this case—including the briefing on, and the Court's consideration of, the Motion for Protective Order and the two Summary Judgment/Dismissal Motions—shall be stayed pending the completion of the parties' attempts to achieve a resolution outside this matter; and

1	That all briefing and further proceedings in this matter shall resume at the request		
2	of the Court or the parties should the parties be unable to resolve this matter in a		
3	timely manner without the Court's involvement.		
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5	Dated: October 11, 2012	M. ANDREW WOODMANSEE	
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1	DECLARATION PURSUANT TO GENERAL ORDER 45, § X.B.		
2	I, M. ANDREW WOODMANSEE, hereby declare pursuant to General Order 45, § X.		
3	that I have obtained the concurrence in the filing of this document from each of the other		
4	signatories listed below.		
5	I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing declaration is true and correct.		
6	Executed on October 11, 2012, in the City of San Diego, State of California.		
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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE** I hereby certify that all counsel of record, who are deemed to have consented to electronic service, are being served this 11th day of October, 2012, with a copy of this document via the Court's CM/ECF system. /s/ M. Andrew Woodmansee M. Andrew Woodmansee