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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

DEBRA A. MELANCON,
Plaintiff,
v.
MICHAEL J. ASTRUE,
Defendant.

No. C-11-5225 MMC

**ORDER DIRECTING DEFENDANT TO
INFORM COURT WHETHER HE
CONSENTS TO MAGISTRATE JUDGE
FOR ALL PURPOSES**

In cases initially assigned to a district judge, the parties may consent at any time to reassignment of the case to a magistrate judge for all purposes, including entry of final judgment. See Civil L.R. 73-1(b). On October 28, 2011, plaintiff Debra A. Melancon voluntarily consented to have a United States Magistrate Judge conduct any and all further proceedings in the case, including trial, and order entry of a final judgment. Accordingly, defendant Michael J. Astrue is hereby DIRECTED to advise the Court, no later than December 2, 2011, as to whether he consents to have a magistrate judge conduct all further proceedings in the instant action.¹

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: November 16, 2011


MAXINE M. CHESNEY
United States District Judge

¹Normally, the Court would direct the parties to so inform the Court in their Joint Case Management Statement filed in connection with a case management conference. Because the instant action involves a review of an administrative record, however, a case management conference has not been scheduled.