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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
EUREKA DIVISION

JOHN DUGAN, et al.,
Plaintiffs,

v.

LLOYDS TSB BANK, PLC,
Defendants.

Case No. [12-cv-02549-WHA](#) (NJV)

**ORDER RE PLAINTIFFS' LETTER
BRIEF OF JULY 19, 2013**

Re: Dkt. No. 231

Plaintiffs filed a letter brief before the district court. Doc. No. 231. The district court referred the matter to the undersigned. Doc. No. 234. The letter brief does not comply with the undersigned's standing orders:

12. Discovery Disputes. All parties with a discovery dispute in a case pending before, or referred to, Judge Vadas shall comply with the following:

a. Discovery motions may be addressed to the Court in three ways. A motion may be noticed on not less than thirty-five (35) days notice pursuant to Civil L.R. 7-2. Alternatively, a party may seek an order shortening time under Civil L.R. 6-3 if the circumstances justify that relief. In emergencies during discovery events (e.g., depositions), the Court is available pursuant to Civil L.R. 37-1(b).

b. In the event a discovery dispute arises, counsel for the party seeking discovery shall in good faith confer in person with counsel for the party failing to make that discovery in an attempt to resolve the dispute without the Court's involvement, as required by Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 37 and Civil L.R. 37-1(a). The meeting must be in person, except where good cause is shown why a telephone conference is adequate. A declaration setting forth these meet and confer efforts, and the final positions of each party, shall be included in the moving papers. The Court will not consider discovery motions unless the moving party has complied with Fed. R. Civ. P. 37 and Civil L.R. 37-1.

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Accordingly, the undersigned orders as follows:

(1) The parties shall meet and confer in person regarding the issues raised by Plaintiffs;

(2) If the parties are unable to resolve their differences, and conclude that the relief Plaintiffs request is not also the subject of Plaintiffs' pending motion to compel (*see* Doc. No. 229), Plaintiffs shall file a motion either on 35-days' notice or on shortened time. *See supra*.

(3) This order terminates Doc. No. 231.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: July 25, 2013



NANDOR J. VADAS
United States Magistrate Judge