### UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

#### LOPEZ TAX SERVICE, INC., et al.

CASE NO. CV12-02654-JSW (Consolidated with Case No. CV12-04181-JSW)

Plaintiffs,

v.

## STIPULATION AND [PROPOSED] ORDER SELECTING ADR PROCESS

THE INCOME TAX SCHOOL, INC., Defendant.

Counsel report that they have met and conferred regarding ADR and have reached the following stipulation pursuant to Civil L.R. 16-8 and ADR L.R. 3-5:

The parties agree to participate in the following ADR process:

#### **Court Processes:**

Non-binding Arbitration (ADR L.R. 4)

X Early Neutral Evaluation (ENE) (ADR L.R. 5) Mediation (ADR L.R. 6)

(Note: Parties who believe that an early settlement conference with a Magistrate Judge is appreciably more likely to meet their needs than any other form of ADR must participate in an ADR phone conference and may not file this form. They must instead file a Notice of Need for ADR Phone Conference. See Civil Local Rule 16-8 and ADR L.R. 3-5)

#### **Private Process:**

Private ADR (please identify process and provider)

The parties agree to hold the ADR session by:

**X** the presumptive deadline (*The deadline is 90 days from the date of the order referring the case to an ADR process unless otherwise ordered.*)

other requested deadline \_\_\_\_\_

Dated: October 26, 2012

/s/ Andrew M. Sussman Attorney for Plaintiffs

Dated: October 26, 2012

/s/ Nicholas Ranallo

Attorney for Defendant

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## [PROPOSED] ORDER

The parties' stipulation is adopted and IT IS SO ORDERED. The parties' stipulation is modified as follows, and IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: October 31, 2012

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