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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

ARMIE CUA CRUZ, et al.,
Plaintiffs,
v.
JP MORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL
ASSOCIATION, et al.,
Defendants.

Case No. [12-cv-03219-WHO](#)

**ORDER REGARDING MOTION FOR
AN ORDER PERMITTING
SUBSTITUTION OF ATTORNEY**

Re: Dkt. No. 72

Matthew Mellen and The Mellen Law Firm ("Mellen") have moved to withdraw from representation of the plaintiffs, who would then represent themselves in pro per. Mellen says that plaintiffs request an order permitting this change, but submitted no proof that the plaintiffs in fact agree.

If the plaintiffs in fact agree that they no longer want Mellen to represent them, they should so stipulate in a writing signed by Mellen and plaintiffs. The stipulation should also recite that Mellen has provided plaintiffs with the minute entry setting dates for the management of this case from the recent Case Management Conference, the Court's Standing Order for Civil Cases, and all client case files to plaintiffs. If the plaintiffs oppose the withdrawal, they should file an opposition on or before **December 18, 2013**. Mellen shall serve this Order, and the minute entry from the Case Management Conference, on the plaintiffs immediately and file proof of service.

The plaintiffs are advised to visit the link titled "If You Don't Have a Lawyer" on the Court's homepage, www.cand.uscourts.gov. The link discusses the Court's "Legal Help Center"

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for unrepresented parties. The Legal Help Center can be reached at 415-782-8982 and is located on the 15th Floor, Room 2796, of the courthouse at 450 Golden Gate Avenue in San Francisco.

The hearing set for January 8, 2014 remains on calendar.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: December 2, 2013



WILLIAM H. ORRICK
United States District Judge