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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

LAURA A EDWARDS, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

FEDERAL HOME LOAN MORTGAGE CORPORATION, et al.,

Defendants.

Case No. 12-cv-04868-WHO

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE WHY UNSEL FOR PLAINTIFFS SHOULD NOT BE SANCTIONED

On August 14, 2013, the Court held a hearing on the Motion to Dismiss Plaintiff's Second Amended Complaint (Dkt. No. 47), as well as a case management conference. Dkt. No. 55. Although counsel for the defendants appeared to argue the motion, neither counsel for the plaintiffs, Jeremy J. Alberts or Batkhand Zoljargal, appeared to defend against the motion.

At the hearing, as reflected in the Civil Minutes, the Court ordered the parties to hold a teleconference with the alternative dispute resolution unit within two weeks to discuss whether an ADR process may prove beneficial. A teleconference was scheduled for August 27, 2013. Dkt. No. 57. Although counsel for the defendants appeared, neither counsel for the plaintiffs appeared despite multiple attempts by the ADR unit to contact them, nor have counsel for the plaintiffs explained their absence.

The lack of diligence which counsel for the plaintiffs have shown in prosecuting the plaintiffs' case and their disregard for the Court's order to participate in the ADR conference is unacceptable. The Court ORDERS Jeremy J. Alberts and Batkhand Zoljargal to show cause why they should not each be sanctioned \$250.00 given their failure to follow the Court's order, their

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ack of professional courtesy and disrespect towards opposing counsel and the Co	urt by failing to
appear at Court-scheduled hearings/telephone conferences, and, most importantly	, their failure to
dutifully represent their clients' interests. Counsel shall respond to this Order to S	Show Cause no
ater than September 9, 2013.	
IT IS SO ORDERED.	
Dated: August 28, 2013	
WILLIAM H. ORRICK United States District Judge	