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Plaintiff Raymond Manzanillo ("Plaintiff") and Defendants N. Brown, Gregory D. Lewis, J. Hallock, K. McGuyer, Matthew Cate, and T.A. Wood ("Defendants") (collectively the "Parties") by and through their counsel hereby stipulate and jointly request the Court to modify certain deadlines in the Scheduling Order issued on May 18, 2016 (Dkt. No. 199).

The current expert disclosure deadline is September 9, 2016. Plaintiff retained a psychiatric expert to provide testimony about his emotional distress damages resulting from the incident described in the First Amended Complaint. To provide that testimony, the expert must perform an evaluation of Plaintiff, which is expected to last about eight hours. Plaintiff is currently incarcerated in Kern Valley State Prison in Delano, California. Last week, the Litigation Coordinator for that prison informed Plaintiff's counsel that they did not have a room available for such an evaluation until September 19, 2016. As a result, given the current expert disclosure schedule, Plaintiff's expert cannot evaluate Plaintiff in time to draft a report to comply those deadlines.

The Parties agree that the upcoming summary judgment motions will not involve issues regarding Plaintiff's emotional distress damages, but may involve expert testimony regarding liability issues. Plaintiff has retained an correctional practices expert that may provide testimony during the summary judgment briefing. Plaintiff will be able to make a proper disclosure of this expert, along with the corresponding report, in compliance with the current disclosure schedule.

To conserve resources and to allow Plaintiff's psychiatric expert sufficient time to perform a proper examination of Plaintiff, the Parties stipulate to defer disclosure of damages experts until after the Court decides any dispositive motions, such as motions for summary judgment. Modifying the schedule in this manner will allow the Parties to avoid any unnecessary expenditure of resources. The Parties also stipulate to keep the current disclosure schedule for liability experts so that the Parties will have the opportunity to have that information, take appropriate depositions, and make appropriate rebuttal disclosures (if needed) prior to any summary judgment motions are filed. Accordingly, the Parties request that damages expert disclosures be done on the following schedule: Disclosures due by December 1, 2016, Rebuttal Disclosures due by December 15, 2016, and Expert Discovery Cut-off on December 30, 2016.

The Parties proposed the following modified schedule:

Event	Date
Fact discovery cut-off	September 3, 2016
Liability Expert disclosures	September 9, 2016
Liability Expert rebuttal	September 30, 2016
Liability Expert discovery cut-off	October 14, 2016
Deadline to file dispositive motions	October 21, 2016
Damages Expert disclosures	December 1, 2016
Damages Expert rebuttal	December 15, 2016
Damages Expert discovery cut-off	December 30, 2016
Pretrial conference statement due	January 10, 2017
Pretrial conference	January 19, 2017, at 2:00 p.m.
Trial	February 6, 2017, at 8:30 a.m.

IT IS SO STIPULATED.

DATED: August 31, 2016 Respectfully submitted,

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