## 1 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 2 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 3 4 5 ELLEN ANNETE GOLD No. C 13-02019 WHO (MEJ) NOTICE OF REFERRAL FOR 6 Plaintiff(s), DISCOVERY v. 7 MIDLAND CREDIT MANAGEMENT, INC. 8 ET AL 9 Defendant(s). 10 11 TO ALL PARTIES AND COUNSEL OF RECORD: 12 This case has been referred to Magistrate Judge Maria-Elena James for discovery. The 13 parties must comply with Judge James' Discovery Standing Order, which is attached herewith and 14 available on the Court's website at http://www.cand.uscourts.gov/mej. 15 The parties are advised that they must meet and confer in person before any dispute is 16 considered. Thus, any pending discovery motions are hereby DENIED WITHOUT PREJUDICE to 17 the filing of a joint letter. If the parties submitted a letter to the presiding judge instead of a motion, 18 the letter shall not be considered unless the parties attest that they met and conferred in person prior 19 to filing the letter. Accordingly, within three days from issuance of this notice, the parties shall file 20 a joint statement verifying that they met in person prior to filing the letter. 21 Please contact the Courtroom Deputy Clerk, Rose Maher, at (415) 522-4708 with any 22 questions. 23 **IT IS SO ORDERED** 24 25 Dated: February 18, 2014 26 Maria-Elena James 27 United States Magistrate Judge 28

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