

1 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
 2 Northern District of California

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 4 LAWRENCE SMITH,

No. C 13-03316 MEJ

5 Plaintiff(s),

**NOTICE DIRECTING DEFENDANTS
 TO FILE CONSENT OR
 DECLINATION**

6 v.

7 STEPP, et al.

8 Defendant(s).
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9 Upon review of the record in this action, the Court notes that a written consent to magistrate
 10 judge jurisdiction has not been filed by Defendants. This civil case was randomly assigned to the
 11 undersigned magistrate judge for all purposes including trial. In accordance with 28 U.S.C. §
 12 636(c), the magistrate judges of this district court are designated to conduct any and all proceedings
 13 in a civil case, including trial and entry of final judgment, upon the consent of the parties. An appeal
 14 from a judgment entered by a magistrate judge may be taken directly to the United States Court of
 15 Appeals for the Ninth Circuit in the same manner as an appeal from any other judgment of a district
 16 court.

17 You have the right to have your case assigned to a United States District Judge for trial and
 18 disposition. Accordingly, Defendants shall inform the Court whether Defendants consent(s) to
 19 magistrate judge jurisdiction or request(s) reassignment to a United States District Judge for trial. A
 20 copy of both the consent and declination forms may be obtained from the Northern District of
 21 California's website at <http://www.cand.uscourts.gov/civilforms>. The consent/declination form shall
 22 be filed by **November 11, 2013**.

23 There is no need to submit a chambers copy of the document.

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 25 Dated: October 28, 2013

Rose Maher

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 Rose Maher, Courtroom Deputy to
 27 Maria-Elena James,
 United States Magistrate Judge

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