

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**

G.F., by and through her guardian ad litem,
Gail F.; W.B., by and through his guardian ad
litem, CiCi C.; Q.G., by and through his
guardian ad litem, Barbara C.; and on behalf of
themselves and a class of those similarly
situated,

Plaintiffs,

v.

CONTRA COSTA COUNTY; CONTRA
COSTA COUNTY OFFICE OF
EDUCATION,

Defendants.

Case No. C-13-03667 MEJ

CLASS ACTION

**JOINT LETTER REGARDING
REFERRAL TO ADR PROGRAM**

The Parties jointly submit the attached letter to request referral to the Court's Alternative Dispute Resolution Program for mediation.

DATED: December 23, 2014



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GRANTED. Parties are hereby referred to the Court's ADR Program for mediation.

DATED: 12/31/2014

December 23, 2014

The Honorable Joseph C. Spero
United States District Court
Northern District of California
450 Golden Gate Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94102

Re: *G.F. et. al v. Contra Costa County et. al*
United States District Court Case No. C 13-3667-MEJ
Joint Letter Requesting Referral to ADR

Dear Judge Spero:

As you will recall, counsel for Plaintiffs and the Contra Costa County Office of Education attended a telephonic status conference with the Court on December 11, 2014, at which time we advised of the parties' agreement to submit the issue of attorneys' fees and costs to a mediator. To allow the parties to move forward, the parties jointly request that the Court issue an order referring this matter, as between Plaintiffs and the Contra Costa County Office of Education, to the Court's Alternative Dispute Resolution Program for assignment to a Court-Panel mediator. Once that referral is made, we will contact the Alternative Dispute Resolution Unit to schedule the mediation and to request the assignment of Bo Links as mediator.