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Last Friday, March 18, 2016, this Court issued its Order Granting in Part and Denying in Part Defendants' Motion for Summary Judgment; and Denying Plaintiffs' Motion for Summary Judgment. *See* ECF No. 167. In so doing, the Court made rulings that will guide the parties' presentation of their cases at trial. *See generally id.* It also ordered the parties "to meet and confer, in order to reach a stipulation to undisputed facts (as found and set forth in this Order) for trial," and set a Case Management Conference for Wednesday, March 23, 2016, at 10:00 a.m. to delineate the scope and nature of the trial. *Id.* at p. 46.

Trial in this case is scheduled to begin May 23, 2016, and the Final Pretrial Conference is currently scheduled for April 19, 2016. *See* ECF No. 96 (scheduling order); ECF No. 107 (rescheduling Final Pretrial Conference to April 19, 2016). The required pretrial filings—including the Joint Pretrial Conference Statement, fully briefed Motions in Limine, Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, and Trial Briefs—are due on March 29, 2016. *See* ECF No. 96, Pretrial Instructions, Parts B&C. Plaintiffs are also taking a trial deposition of their own witness during the week of March 21, 2016, in Bakersfield, California as well as a deposition of Defendants' recently disclosed substitute expert witness on April 7, 2016. <sup>1</sup>

The Parties, through counsel, met and conferred regarding preparation of the Joint Pretrial Conference Statement and had agreed upon deadlines for the exchange of the components of that statement. The Parties agreed to staggered deadlines, many of which fall during the week of March 21, 2016, regarding the exchange of proposed undisputed facts, witness and exhibit lists, and deposition designations, and the objections and responses thereto, to allow time for the Parties to meet and confer prior to submitting disputes to the Court.

The Court's recent Order on Summary Judgment impacts these components of the Joint Pretrial Conference Statement, as well as the parties' Proposed Findings of Fact and Conclusions

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of Law and Trial Briefs. The Parties now jointly request additional time to submit the pretrial 1 2 filings in light of the Order on Summary Judgment. A continuance of the March 29 deadline 3 would allow the Parties time to further evaluate the effect of the Order on the Joint Pretrial 4 Conference Statement and related pretrial filings, to conform those filings, as necessary, to the 5 Court's Order and further guidance provided at the Case Management Conference scheduled for May 23, to assert objections and responses thereto, and to engage in a meaningful meet and 6 7 confer process before submitting objections or disputes to the Court. Specifically, the Parties 8 respectfully request that the Court allow the Parties until April 12, 2016, to submit the Joint 9 Pretrial Conference Statement and the Pretrial Materials listed in Part C of the Court's Pretrial 10 Instructions. Further, in light of the imminent pretrial deadlines and the preservation deposition 11 12 currently scheduled to take place in Bakersfield, California, on March 23, 2016, the same day as 13 the Case Management Conference, the Parties respectfully request that counsel for Defendants 14 be permitted to appear by telephone at the Case Management Conference in order to minimize 15 travel time and allow Defendants' counsel to focus on trial preparation. 16 Dated: March 21, 2016 OFFICE OF IMMIGRATION LITIGATION, **CIVIL DIVISION** 17 U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE 18 BENJAMIN C. MIZER 19 Principal Deputy Assistant Attorney General 20 WILLIAM C. PEACHEY Director, District Court Section 21 22 ELIZABETH J. STEVENS Assistant Director, District Court Section 23 By: /s/ Jennifer A. Bowen 24 KATHERINE J. SHINNERS BRIAN C. WARD 25 JENNIFER A. BOWEN LAUREN C. BINGHAM 26 Trial Attorneys, District Court Section 27 P.O Box 868, Ben Franklin Station 28

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I, Jennifer A. Bowen, am the ECF user whose user ID and password are being used to file this Stipulation. In accordance with Local Rule 5-1(i)(3), I hereby attest that the other signatories listed here have concurred in the filing of this document.

Dated: March 21, 2016

By: /s/ Jennifer A. Bowen
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## [PROPOSED] ORDER

PURSUANT TO STIPULATION, IT IS SO ORDERED. Denied. All parties must appear in person at the 3/23/16 10:00 a.m. status conference. Pretrial filings must be filed by 4/7/16.

Dated: March 21, 2016



## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

No. 3:13-cv-05878-EMC

3 4	I hereby certify that on this 21st day of March 2016, a true and correct copy of the
5	foregoing JOINT STIPULATION REQUESTING MODIFICATION OF PRETRIAL

## DEADLINES AND TELEPHONIC APPEARANCE AT CASE MANAGEMENT

**CONFERENCE** was served with the Clerk of Court by using the CM/ECF system, which provided an electronic notice and electronic link of the same to all attorneys of record through the Court's CM/ECF system.

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