1 2 3 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 4 5 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 6 TERRAFUSION INTERNATIONAL, INC., 7 Case No. 15-cv-02993-RS et al., 8 Plaintiffs, ORDER GRANTING REQUEST TO 9 v. SHORTEN TIME AND DENYING REQUEST FOR IMMEDIATE 10 WITHDRAWAL AS COUNSEL TERRAFUSION, INC., et al., 11 Defendants. 12 13 Zvi Silver asks to be immediately relieved as counsel for Defendants. Alternatively, he 14 requests an order shortening time, so his motion to withdraw as counsel may be heard sooner. The 15 request for immediate relief is denied, as a hearing is appropriate under the circumstances and 16 Defendants have not yet retained new counsel. See United States v. High Country Broad. Co., 3 F.3d 1244, 1245 (9th Cir. 1993) ("A corporation may appear in federal court only through licensed 17 18 counsel."). Silver's alternate request for an order shortening time is granted. The motion to 19 withdraw currently set for hearing on December 29, 2016 shall be heard on December 15, 2016. 20 Plaintiffs' opposition brief, if any, shall be filed by December 7, 2016 and Silver's reply shall be 21 filed by December 12, 2016. In addition, Mark Cukier is ordered to appear in person on 22 December 15, 2016 or show cause why his appearance should be excused. 23 IT IS SO ORDERED. 24 25 26 Dated: November 15, 2016 27 RICHARD SEEBORG 28 United States District Judge

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