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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION,

Plaintiff,

v.

JOHN V. BIVONA, et al.,

Defendants.

Case No. 16-cv-01386-EMC

ORDER SETTING NEW HEARING DATE ON MOTION FOR A PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION AND ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE

Docket No. 37

On March 25, 2016, the parties stipulated to setting one hearing date on the preliminary injunction on May 12, 2016. Docket No. 37. The Court finds that the stipulation is not technically effective because the stipulation was signed by Defendant John V. Bivona on behalf of SRA Management, LLC, SRA I LLC, SRA II LLC, SRA III LLC, Felix Investments, LLC, Clear Sailing Group IV LLC, and Clear Sailing Group V LLC (collectively, LLCs). Id. at 2. Per Civil Local Rule 3-9(b), "[a] corporation, unincorporated association, partnership, or other such entity may appear only through a member of the bar of this Court." It is unclear if Mr. Bivona signed as the LLCs' manager or as their legal representative. The LLCs cannot appear in this action without being represented by counsel; if Mr. Bivona intends to represent the LLCs as their attorney, he should so state by March 31, 2016. /// ///

United States District Court For the Northern District of California

Nevertheless, the Court finds that it is appropriate to set one preliminary injunction hearing date, which will be on **May 12, 2016** at **1:30 p.m.** Defendants and Relief Defendants shall file an opposition by **April 22, 2016** at **5:00 p.m.**, and the SEC may file any reply by **May 3, 2016** at **5:00 p.m.** The Court **VACATES** the April 5, 2016 hearing date.

This Order disposes of Docket No. 37.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: March 28, 2016

EDWARD M. CHEN United States District Judge