

1 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
2 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

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4 ELLEN HARDIN,
5 Plaintiff,

6 v.

7 MENDOCINO COAST DISTRICT
8 HOSPITAL, et al.,
9 Defendants.

Case No. 17-cv-05554-JST (TSH)

DISCOVERY ORDER

Re: Dkt. Nos. 107, 108, 109

10 The parties have filed discovery letter briefs at ECF Nos. 107, 108 and 109. Plaintiff's
11 letter argues that (1) Defendants' counsel has engaged in inappropriate conduct, (2) the
12 appointment of a discovery referee is unnecessary, and (3) Defendants are improperly using the
13 Brown Act as a basis to instruct witnesses not to answer and to refuse to answer interrogatories or
14 produce documents. The Court assumes that the deposition excerpts attached to the letter address
15 issue #1. The Court also assumes the deposition excerpts address issue #3 insofar as it relates to
16 deposition testimony because excerpts of Sturgeon's and Edwards' depositions are attached. It is
17 obvious that the excerpts do not address issue #3 to the extent it relates to interrogatories or
18 document requests because none of those are attached. The Court **ORDERS** Plaintiff to submit
19 the referenced requests for production and interrogatories, and Defendants' responses, by April 17,
20 2019.

21 Defendants' letter brief addresses issues #1 and #2. The Court **ORDERS** Defendant to file
22 a letter brief not to exceed two and a half pages on issue #3 no later than April 17, 2019.

23 The Court schedules oral argument on these letter briefs for April 25, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. in
24 Courtroom A.

25 **IT IS SO ORDERED.**

26 Dated: April 12, 2019

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28 THOMAS S. HIXSON
United States Magistrate Judge