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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

JOHN ARMSTRONG, et al., Plaintiffs,

v.

GAVIN C. NEWSOM, et al., Defendants.

Case No. 94-cv-02307 CW

PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION

(Re: Dkt. Nos. 2978, 2979)

For the reasons set forth in the Court's order granting in part Plaintiffs' motion for a preliminary injunction, the Court hereby orders as follows:

Inmate 1 and Inmate 2<sup>1</sup> (Witnesses) have been transferred out of R.J. Donovan Correctional Facility (RJD) pursuant to the Court's temporary restraining order and, while this preliminary injunction is in effect, they shall remain housed as follows:

Inmate 2 shall remain at the Mental Health Crisis Bed (MHCB) at California Men's Colony (CMC) on a temporary basis pending placement at California Health Care Facility (CHCF) once it is

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Court finds that the parties have shown that compelling reasons exist for using pseudonyms to maintain the names of the inmates as confidential. The names of the inmates will be identified in a separate order, which will be filed under seal.

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open for transfers, and Inmate 1 shall remain at an Enhanced Outpatient Program housing unit on Facility D at Mule Creek State Prison (MCSP).

While housed at these facilities and this preliminary injunction remains in effect:

- Defendants shall have the ADA coordinator at the new (1)facility meet, face to face, taking appropriate Covid-19 precautions, with each Witness on a weekly basis for the first thirty days, then on a bi-weekly basis thereafter, to discuss whether the Witness has any security concerns or has faced any retaliation. ADA coordinator shall document these interactions on a Form 128-B, signed by the Witness, and Defendants shall produce the completed Form 128-B to Plaintiffs' counsel within twenty-four hours;
- (2) Defendants shall provide, on a weekly basis for the first thirty days, then on a monthly basis or sooner if requested, for a confidential, attorney-client telephone call between each Witness and Plaintiffs' counsel;
- Defendants shall not transfer either of the Witnesses to another facility other than the facilities set forth above unless (1) Plaintiffs' counsel stipulate to the transfer; (2) Defendants obtain an order of the Court permitting the transfer; or (3) the transfer is necessary on an emergency basis to protect the health or safety of the Witness being transferred. transfer is necessary on an emergency basis to protect

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the health or safety of the Witness being transferred,
Defendants do not need advance approval from
Plaintiffs' counsel or an order of the Court. In such
circumstances, Defendants shall provide Plaintiffs'
counsel with notice of the transfer as soon as possible
and no later than twenty-four hours following the
transfer. The parties shall then meet and confer
within twenty-four hours to discuss the Witness's
placement. Transfer pursuant to this paragraph shall,
if possible, be to a placement consistent with the
criteria set forth in the Court's order of July 2,
2020, which are as follows: (1) the placement is not
RJD; (2) the placement is not administrative
segregation or any other type of punitive housing; (3)
the placement is not at a higher security level than
the Witness's current classifications; (4) the
placement provides at least equivalent access to
programming opportunities, including compliance with
the <u>Coleman</u> Program Guide; (5) the placement is as safe
in light of COVID-19 risks as possible; (6) if the
placement is custodial, complete surveillance camera
coverage is preferable. If, pursuant to this
paragraph, Defendants cannot transfer the Witness to a
placement that meets those criteria, Defendants shall
take all available efforts to return the Witness to a
placement consistent with those criteria as soon as
possible.

(4) Defendants shall facilitate confidential legal calls between each Witness and Plaintiffs' counsel as requested by Plaintiffs' counsel and shall take such other steps as are necessary to ensure that each Witness is safely housed and is not subjected to retaliation for assisting with the enforcement motions or participating in these proceedings.

No security shall be required because the Witnesses are incarcerated and presumably indigent.

This preliminary injunction shall remain in effect for ninety days of the date of this order. See 18 U.S.C. § 3626(a)(2).

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: July 30, 2020

CLAUDIA WILKEN

United States District Judge