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5	UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
6	NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
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8	MEDINA, et al., No. C 08-3946 WDB
9	Plaintiffs, ORDER RE LETTER BRIEFS
10	v.
11	CITY OF MENLO PARK, et al.
12	Defendants.
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15	Having considered the letter briefs submitted by counsel following the May 19, 2009,
16	case management conference, we are of the view, at this juncture, that if Plaintiffs can prove
17	that Defendants intended to deny Plaintiffs' constitutional rights, Plaintiffs are permitted to
18	pursue their cause of action for malicious prosecution under 42 U.S.C. § 1983. Usher v. City
19 20	of Los Angeles, 828 F.2d 556, 561-62 (9th Cir. 1987) (quoting Bretz v. Kelman, 773 F.2d
20	1026, 1031 (9th Cir. 1985) (en banc)). However, it appears that Plaintiffs are barred from
21	litigating a cause of action for malicious prosecution under state law against Defendants. Cal. Gov't Code §§ 815.2, 821.6. We are inclined, therefore, to dismiss the Third Cause of
22	Action (State Law Malicious Prosecution) from the Second Amended Complaint.
24	If any party disagrees with the Court's inclinations, it must file a motion by June 24,
25	2009, setting forth in detail the support for its position.
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1	Defendants are hereby ORDERED to file an answer or otherwise respond to the
2	Second Amended Complaint by June 24, 2009.
3	IT IS SO ORDERED.
4	Dated: June 17, 2009
5	Dated: June 17, 2009
6	WAYNE D. BRAZIL United States Magistrate Judge
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