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On September 15, 2009, the parties appeared for a case management conference and were referred to mediation. The parties were given a mediation compliance date of February 17, 2010, and ultimately assigned to mediator Michel Bien of Rosen, Bien & Galvan for mediation. Mediation is presently scheduled for February 17, 2010.

The parties now seek a continuance of the mediation compliance date to permit additional time to complete discovery necessary for mediation and to accommodate the surgery of defense counsel. Initial written discovery has been exchanged by the parties, but plaintiff's deposition remains to be taken. Defendants anticipate that deposition will take multiple days due to the

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voluminous documents at issue and number of witnesses identified by plaintiff in discovery. Plaintiff's counsel is scheduled to begin a lengthy class action trial on January 25, 2010, which will further prevent the parties from completing necessary pre-mediation discovery by February 17, 2010.

In addition, defense counsel is scheduled for hip surgery on February 10, 2010, a week before the mediation, and anticipates being out of the office for a minimum of one to two weeks.

No prejudice will result to the parties and no disruption will occur to any scheduling order should the mediation compliance date be moved as requested. Trial in this matter is set for February 14, 2011, and the discovery cutoff is set for July 28, 2010.

It is therefore respectfully requested that the mediation compliance date be continued from February 17, 2010 to June 18, 2010.

The parties stipulate that a copy of a signature transmitted by any electronic means including, but not limited to, facsimile machine and scanned document transmitted via e-mail will have the same force and effect as an original signature.

Dated: January 13, 2010

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THE REDWOODS

GOOD CAUSE APPEARING THEREFORE, the stipulation to continue the mediation compliance date in this matter from February 17, 2010 to June 18, 2010 is GRANTED.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED: 1/26/10

