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16 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
17 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA  
18 OAKLAND DIVISION

19 DANKO MEREDITH, a professional )  
20 corporation, )  
21 Plaintiff, )  
22 v. )  
23 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AIR )  
24 FORCE 60<sup>TH</sup> MOBILITY WING, and DOES )  
ONE through FIFTY, inclusive, )  
25 Defendants. )

Case No. C14-4418 JSW

**STIPULATION AND [PROPOSED] ORDER  
RE: SETTLEMENT AND DISMISSAL WITH  
PREJUDICE**

1 Plaintiff Danko Meredith (“plaintiff”) and defendant United States Air Force (“defendant”)  
2 hereby enter into this Stipulation and [Proposed] Order Re Settlement and Dismissal With Prejudice  
3 (“Stipulation”), as follows:

4 1. Defendant shall pay to plaintiff the amount of four thousand seven hundred dollars and  
5 zero cents (\$4,700.00) in full and complete satisfaction of plaintiff’s claims for attorney’s fees, costs,  
6 and litigation expenses under the Freedom of Information Act (“FOIA”), 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended, in  
7 the above-captioned matter. This payment shall constitute full and final satisfaction of any and all of  
8 plaintiff’s claims for attorneys’ fees, costs, and litigation expenses in the above-captioned matter, and is  
9 inclusive of any interest. Payment of this money will be made by electronic funds transfer, and  
10 plaintiff’s counsel will provide the necessary information to defendant’s counsel to effectuate the  
11 transfer. Defendant will make all reasonable efforts to make payment within sixty (60) days of the date  
12 that plaintiff’s counsel provides the necessary information for the electronic funds transfer and this  
13 Stipulation is approved by the Court, whichever is later, but cannot guarantee payment within that time  
14 frame.

15 2. Upon the execution of this Stipulation, plaintiff, having received the records it requested,  
16 hereby releases and forever discharges defendant, its successors, the United States of America, and any  
17 department, agency, or establishment of the United States, and any officers, employees, agents,  
18 successors, or assigns of such department, agency, or establishment, from any and all claims and causes  
19 of action that plaintiff asserts or could have asserted in this litigation, or which hereafter could be  
20 asserted by reason of, or with respect to, or in connection with, or which arise out of, the FOIA request  
21 on which this action is based or any other matter alleged in the Complaint, including but not limited to  
22 all past, present, or future claims for attorneys’ fees, costs, or litigation expenses in connection with the  
23 above-captioned litigation.

24 3. The provisions of California Civil Code Section 1542 are set forth below:

25 “A general release does not extend to claims which the creditor does not know or suspect  
26 to exist in his or her favor at the time of executing the release, which if known by him or  
27 her must have materially affected his or her settlement with the debtor.”  
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1 Plaintiff, having been apprised of the statutory language of Civil Code Section 1542 by its attorney, and  
2 fully understanding the same, nevertheless elects to waive the benefits of any and all rights it may have  
3 pursuant to the provision of that statute and any similar provision of federal law. Plaintiff understands  
4 that, if the facts concerning any injuries, liability for damages pertaining thereto, or liability for  
5 attorneys' fees, costs or litigation expenses are found hereafter to be other than or different than the facts  
6 now believed by it to be true, the Stipulation shall be and remain effective notwithstanding such material  
7 difference.

8 4. Execution of this Stipulation and its approval by the Court shall constitute dismissal of  
9 this case with prejudice pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 41(a).

10 5. The parties acknowledge that this Stipulation is entered into solely for the purpose of  
11 settling and compromising any remaining claims in this action without further litigation, and it shall not  
12 be construed as evidence or as an admission on the part of defendant, the United States, its agents,  
13 servants, components, or employees regarding any issue of law or fact, or regarding the truth or validity  
14 of any allegation or claim raised in this action, or as evidence or as an admission by the defendant  
15 regarding plaintiff's entitlement to attorneys' fees, costs, or other litigation expenses under FOIA. This  
16 Stipulation is entered into by the parties for the purpose of compromising disputed claims and avoiding  
17 the expenses and risks of litigation. This Stipulation shall not be used in any manner to establish liability  
18 for fees or costs in any other case or proceeding involving defendant.

19 6. This Stipulation may be pled as a full and complete defense to any action or other  
20 proceeding, including any local, state or federal administrative action, involving any person or party  
21 which arises out of the claims released and discharged by this agreement.

22 7. This Stipulation is binding upon and inures to the benefit of the parties hereto and their  
23 respective successors and assigns.

24 8. If any provision of this Stipulation shall be held invalid, illegal, or unenforceable, the  
25 validity, legality, and enforceability of the remaining provisions shall not in any way be affected or  
26 impaired thereby.

27 9. This Stipulation shall constitute the entire agreement between the parties, and it is  
28 expressly understood and agreed that this Stipulation has been freely and voluntarily entered into by the

1 parties hereto. The parties further acknowledge that no warranties or representations have been made on  
2 any subject other than as set forth in this Stipulation.

3 10. The persons signing this Stipulation warrant and represent that they possess full authority  
4 to bind the persons on whose behalf they are signing to the terms of the Stipulation.

5 11. This Stipulation may not be altered, modified or otherwise changed in any respect except  
6 in writing, duly executed by all of the parties or their authorized representatives.

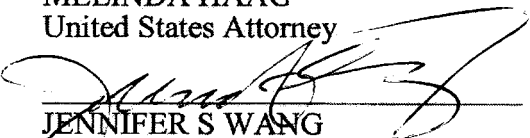
7 12. The Stipulation may be executed in counterparts and is effective on the date by which  
8 both parties have executed the Stipulation.

9 SO STIPULATED AND AGREED.

10 DATED: May <sup>19</sup>~~18~~, 2015


Respectfully submitted,

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16 DATED: May 18, 2015

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22 **PURSUANT TO STIPULATION, IT IS SO ORDERED.**

24 DATED: May 21, 2015

  
The Honorable Jeffrey S. White  
United States District Judge