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28UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIASHEILA BLACKMAN-BAHAM,  
Plaintiff,  
v.  
SALLY JEWELL,  
Defendant.Case No. [15-cv-01922-JSW](#)**ORDER GRANTING LEAVE TO FILE  
SUPPLEMENTAL BRIEFS RE MOTION  
TO DISMISS**

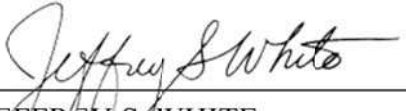
Re: Dkt. No. 8

On July 10, 2015, Defendant Sally Jewell, Secretary, Department of Interior (“Defendant”) filed a motion to dismiss the Complaint filed by Plaintiff Sheila Blackman-Baham (“Plaintiff”) (Docket No. 8). In the motion, Defendant contended that Plaintiff’s claims relating to her termination and to alleged whistleblowing are barred by the doctrine of *res judicata*, also known as claim preclusion. Plaintiff filed an opposition to this motion. In Defendant’s reply, Defendant contended that *all* of Plaintiff’s claims, not only her termination and whistleblowing claims, are barred by *res judicata*. This contention warrants a response.

Accordingly, given the record in this case and in the interests of justice, the Court, *sua sponte*, HEREBY GRANTS Plaintiff the opportunity to file a supplemental brief in response to Defendant’s contention that this entire case should be dismissed on the basis of *res judicata*. Plaintiff shall file her supplemental brief on or before February 22, 2016. If Plaintiff files a supplemental brief, Defendant may file a supplemental brief in reply, on or before March 2, 2016. Neither party’s supplemental brief may exceed 10 pages.

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

Dated: February 1, 2016

  
JEFFREY S. WHITE  
United States District Judge