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

18 FLORIE JOHNSON,

19 Plaintiff,

20 v.

21 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, ET AL.,

22 Defendants.

Case No. 4:23-cv-02336-DMR

**UPDATED JOINT CASE MANAGEMENT
 STATEMENT AND STIPULATION TO
 EXTEND TIME FOR COMPLETION OF
 MEDIATION AND TO CONTINUE FURTHER
 CASE MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE;
 ORDER (AS MODIFIED)**

Current Date: September 4, 2024
 Current Time: 1:30 p.m.

The Honorable Chief Magistrate Judge Ryu

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 25 WHEREAS, there is a Zoom case management video-conference scheduled for the
 26 above-captioned matter on September 4, 2023 at 1:30 p.m.;

27 WHEREAS, per Order dated April 17, 2024, this Court allowed the Parties 180 days to participate
 28 in mediation through the Northern District’s ADR program;

STIPULATION TO CONTINUE TIME TO MEDIATE; ORDER (AS MODIFIED)

Case No. 4:23-cv-02336-DMR

1 WHEREAS, the case was referred to mediation on April 4, 2024, and thereafter, the Parties
2 conducted ADR conferences on May 16, 2024 and July 24, 2024, and the case was referred to Mediator
3 David A. Levy on July 29, 2024;

4 WHEREAS, on August 16, 2024, the Parties had an initial phone meeting with Mediator Levy
5 where it was agreed that a mediation would be set for **January 15, 2025 at 9:30 a.m.** due to the Parties'
6 and the Mediator's scheduling needs, and that the Parties would request and stipulate this request for an
7 extension of time to complete mediation;

8 WHEREAS, the Parties are participating in active discovery, having both propounded written
9 discovery to each other, and are in discussions regarding possible depositions of (i) the Plaintiff,
10 (ii) Dr. Kennedy (a previous defendant who no longer works for the VA but for whom the United States
11 has substituted in) and (iii) a witness to the event at issue, who now resides in Michigan; and

12 WHEREAS the Parties are confident that this short extension of the deadline to complete
13 mediation will not interfere with the trial and associated dates currently set in the case, while this time is
14 necessary to provide the best opportunity for the case to settle.

15 IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED, by the parties to the above-captioned action, that the time to
16 conduct mediation in this case be continued to January 15, 2025. The Parties are amenable to a continuance
17 of the case management conference to after the scheduled mediation, although they remain available for
18 the upcoming case management conference if the Court deems it beneficial.

19 DATED: August 28, 2024

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21 United States Attorney

22 /s/ J. Bernardoni
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25 DATED: August 28, 2024

26 /s/ J. Swanson
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**Per CLR 5-1(h)(3), the filer attests all signatories have concurred in the filing of this document.*

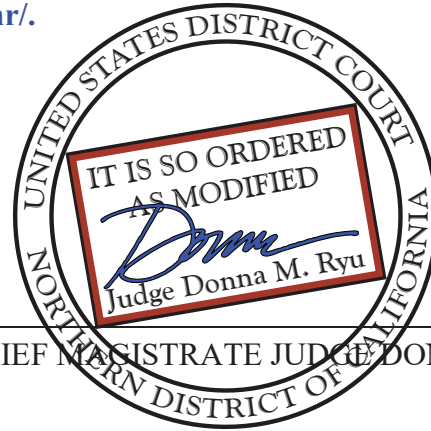
1 **ORDER**

2 Pursuant to the parties' stipulation, the time to complete mediation is extended to January 15, 2025.
3 The Further Case Management Conference set for September 4, 2024 at 1:30 p.m. is vacated and
4 continued to January 29, 2025 at 1:30 p.m. in Oakland, by Videoconference only. Parties shall file an
5 updated joint case management conference statement by January 22, 2025.

6 All counsel and parties may access the webinar information (public hearings) at
7 <https://cand.uscourts.gov/judges/ryu-donna-m-dmr/>.

8 IT IS SO ORDERED AS MODIFIED.

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10 Dated: August 30, 2024



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12 CHIEF MAGISTRATE JUDGE DONNA M. RYU