UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA SAN JOSE DIVISION CATHY ENWERE, Case No.: C 07-1239 JF (PVT) INTERIM ORDER RE DEFENDANTS' Plaintiff, MOTION TO COMPEL v. TERMAN ASSOCIATES, L.P., dba TERMAN APARTMENTS, et al., Defendants. 

On October 14, 2008, Defendants filed a motion to compel Plaintiff to 1) produce documents and 2) authorize production of health information from a third party. Having reviewed the papers submitted by the parties, the court finds it appropriate to issue this interim order denying the latter portion of Defendants' motion and leaving the former portion of the motion on for hearing on November 25, 2008. Based on the moving papers and the file herein,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Defendants' motion to compel Plaintiff to execute and return the release requested by the San Mateo Department of Health is DENIED without prejudice to Defendants moving for an order compelling the San Mateo Department of Health to comply with any valid subpoena Defendants serves on it. Defendant cites no legal authority by which the court may order a litigant to execute a release for her medical records. The proper procedure is to move to

The court deems the July 1, 2008 letter from the County of San Mateo Health Department to be an objection on grounds of Plaintiff's privacy, California Welfare and Institutions Code section 5328, and California Evidence Code section 1013(c). The court expresses no opinion at this time as to the validity of any such objections in this case.

Even if the subpoena had issued from the U.S. District Court for the Central District of California, where the production was set to occur, it would be subject to being quashed because it requires the subpoenaed party to travel more than 100 miles to produce the documents. *See* Fed.R.Civ.Pro. 45(c)(3)(A)(ii).

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