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18	Plaintiff, v.	ADMINISTRATIVE MOTION TO CONSIDER WHETHER CASES SHOULD BE RELATED
19	APPLE INC.,	
20	Defendants.	
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22 23	THIS DOCUMENT ALSO RELATES TO:	Case No. 09-CV-01649 RS
24	DEBORAH J. VAIL, on behalf of herself and those similarly situated,	
25	Plaintiff,	
26	v.	
27	APPLE, INC., Defendant.	
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## TO ALL PARTIES AND THEIR COUNSEL OF RECORD:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that, pursuant to Civil Local Rule 3-12, plaintiff Deborah Vail submits this administrative motion for the Court to consider whether the recently filed *Vail v. Apple, Inc.*, No. 09-cv-01649, should be related to *Gomelsky v. Apple, Inc.*, No. 08-cv-04969.

The *Vail* action may be related to the *Gomelsky* action because it concerns substantially the same parties, property, transaction or event. The cases are against the same defendant, are both putative class actions brought on behalf of persons who purchased PowerBook computers manufactured by Apple, Inc., and both allege that Apple violated California's Unfair Competition Law by selling PowerBook computers with defective memory slots. The *Vail* case also alleges violation of California's Consumers Legal Remedies Act, while the *Gomelsky* case asserts warranty, negligence, and unjust enrichment claims. Copies of the complaints filed in each action are attached to the accompanying Declaration of Eric H. Gibbs.

Given the similarities of these actions, it appears likely that there will be an unduly burdensome duplication of labor and expenses and potentially conflicting results if the cases are heard before different judges. Assignment of these cases to a single District Court Judge would conserve judicial resources and promote efficient determination of the actions while avoiding potentially conflicting results. Both cases are at a preliminary stage and, thus, assignment to a single judge would not prejudice any of the parties. Accordingly, plaintiff Deborah Vail respectfully requests that the action entitled *Vail v. Apple, Inc.*, be deemed related to *Gomelsky v. Apple, Inc*.

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