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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

## NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

## SAN JOSE DIVISION

DELANEY GERAL MARKS,

Petitioner,

v.

RON DAVIS, Acting Warden of California State Prison at San Quentin,

Respondent.

Case No. 11-CV-02458-LHK

## **DEATH PENALTY CASE**

ORDER RE CASE MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE

The Court is in receipt of the parties' joint case management statement in preparation for the case management conference scheduled to be held on August 13, 2015, at 1:30 p.m. Absent an extraordinary reason, the Court is not inclined to entertain Petitioner's potential motion for leave to file a motion for reconsideration of the Court's Order of June 25, 2015.

The Court has also reviewed the Petition and other records in this matter. For the purposes of efficiency, and to avoid the need for oversize briefs, the Court hereby ORDERS the parties to meet and confer and submit a briefing schedule to resolve the record-based claims in the Petition. Furthermore, Jones v. Chappell, 31 F. Supp. 3d 1050 (C.D. Cal. 2014), which held that inordinate

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The parties originally agreed that Petitioner would file a motion for evidentiary hearing on all claims; the Court finds that is not the most prudent way to proceed at this juncture.

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delay in California's death system violates the Eighth Amendment's prohibition against cruel and
unusual punishment, is currently on appeal to the Ninth Circuit. Since Jones may impact
Petitioner's penalty phase claims, the parties should first brief Petitioner's record-based guilt
phase claims.

The parties' proposed litigation schedule should be submitted to the Court no later than Tuesday, August 11, 2015.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: August 6, 2015

LUCY H. KOH
United States District Judge