

Plaintiff National Medical Services, Inc. filed a motion for default judgment against
defendant INDX Lifecare, Inc. Dkt. No. 15. In its motion, National Medical did not
address the factors set forth by the Ninth Circuit in *Eitel v. McCool* to assist the Court in
determining whether default judgment is warranted. 782 F.2d 1470, 1471-72 (9th Cir.
1986).

Those factors are: (1) the possibility of prejudice to the plaintiff; (2) the merits of the plaintiff's substantive claim; (3) the sufficiency of the complaint; (4) the sum of money at stake in the action; (5) the possibility of a dispute concerning material facts; (6) whether the default was due to excusable neglect; and (7) the strong policy favoring decisions on the merits. *Eitel*, 782 F.2d at 1471-72.

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Thus, the Court ORDERS National Medical to file with the Court a brief not to exceed 10 pages addressing each of the seven *Eitel* factors by April 5, 2017. IT IS SO ORDERED. Dated: March 27, 2017 NATHANAEL M. COUSINS United States Magistrate Judge Case No. 16-cv-04425 NC