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5 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**
6 **NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**
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8 JANE AND JOHN DOE,
9 Plaintiffs,

10 v.

11 IVO TANKU TAPANG,
12 Defendant.

Case No. 18-cv-07721 NC

**ORDER SETTING HEARING ON
DISCOVERY MATTERS AND
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE TO
PLAINTIFFS FOR THEIR
FAILURE TO PROSECUTE CASE
AND COMPLY WITH RULES AND
ORDERS**

Re: Dkt. Nos. 66, 68

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14 Defendant Tapang at Dkt. Nos. 66 and 68 has filed discovery motions requesting
15 further disclosures from plaintiffs and a deposition date of plaintiff "Jane Doe." Plaintiffs
16 did not timely respond to the motion requesting further disclosures. Dkt. No. 67.

17 According to the defense at Dkt. No. 68, plaintiffs' counsel has not responded to requests
18 for a date for the deposition of Jane Doe.

19 Under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 41(b), if the plaintiff fails to prosecute or to
20 comply with the Rules of Civil Procedure or a court order, the defendant may move to
21 dismiss the action. A dismissal under this rule operates as an adjudication on the merits.

22 This order sets a hearing on Dkt. Nos. 66 and 68 for October 23, 2019, at 1:00 p.m. in
23 San Jose courtroom 5. At the same time and place, the Court will consider whether this
24 case should be dismissed for failure to prosecute under Rule 41(b). By October 16,
25 Plaintiffs' counsel must file responses to Dkt. Nos. 66 and 68 and must file a written
26 response to this order to show cause. Plaintiffs' counsel must serve this order on his clients
27 and provide a declaration by October 16 that he has done so. Plaintiffs' counsel must
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1 personally appear on October 23. Plaintiffs and their counsel are cautioned that if they do
2 not timely respond to this order, the Court may dismiss their case and/or impose other
3 sanctions under Fed. R. Civ. P. 37 and the civil local rules, including an award of attorneys'
4 fees and costs against them.

5 The Court vacates the hearing noticed for November 13 on Dkt. No. 68.

6 IT IS SO ORDERED.

7 Date: October 3, 2019

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10 Nathanael M. Cousins
11 United States Magistrate Judge
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