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8	UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT	
9	SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA	
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11	DAVID CODELL PRIDE, JR.,	Case No. 07CV1382-BEN(JMA)
12	Plaintiff,	ORDER SETTING MANDATORY SETTLEMENT CONFERENCE
13	V.	
14	M. CORREA, et al.,	
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16	Defendants.	

17 A Mandatory Settlement Conference will be held on May 12, 2014 at 2 p.m. All named parties, all counsel, and any other person(s) whose 18 authority is required to negotiate and enter into settlement shall 19 appear in person at the conference. The individual(s) present at the 20 Mandatory Settlement Conference with settlement authority must 21 have the unfettered discretion and authority on behalf of the party to: 22 1) fully explore all settlement options and to agree during the 23 Mandatory Settlement Conference to any settlement terms acceptable 24 to the party (G. Heileman Brewing Co., Inc. v. Joseph Oat Corp., 871 25 F.2d 648, 653 (7th Cir. 1989)), 2) change the settlement position of a 26 party during the course of the Mandatory Settlement Conference 27 (Pitman v. Brinker Int'l, Inc., 216 F.R.D. 481, 485-86 (D. Ariz. 2003)), 28

and 3) negotiate a settlement without being restricted by any predetermined level of authority (*Nick v. Morgan's Foods, Inc.*, 270 F.3d 590, 596 (8th Cir. 2001)).

Governmental entities may appear through litigation counsel only. As 4 to all other parties, appearance by litigation counsel only is not acceptable. 5 Retained outside corporate counsel shall not appear on behalf of a 6 corporation as the party who has the authority to negotiate and enter into a 7 settlement. The failure of any counsel, party or authorized person to 8 appear at the Mandatory Settlement Conference as required shall be 9 cause for the immediate imposition of sanctions. All conference 10 discussions will be informal, off the record, privileged, and confidential. 11

If Plaintiff is incarcerated in a penal institution or other facility, the
Plaintiff's presence is not required at conferences before Judge Adler, and
the Plaintiff may appear by telephone. In that case, counsel are to
coordinate the Plaintiff's appearance by telephone.

Settlement briefs are not required. If a party elects to submit an
updated settlement statement, it should be submitted to Magistrate Judge
Adler's chambers no later than <u>May 8, 2014</u>.¹

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED: April 28, 2014

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U.S. Magistrate Judge

 ²⁶ ¹Statements under 20 pages in length, including attachments and exhibits, may be e-mailed to <u>efile_adler@casd.uscourts.gov</u>, faxed to (619) 702-9939, or delivered to chambers via the Office of the Clerk of Court at 333 West Broadway, Suite 420, San Diego, California. Statements exceeding 20 pages in length, including attachments and exhibits, must be delivered to chambers via the Office of the Clerk of Court.