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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**

THOMAS BILLIARD,

Plaintiff,

vs.

FORD MOTOR, et. al.,

Defendants.

CASE NO. 17cv2121-LAB (KSC)

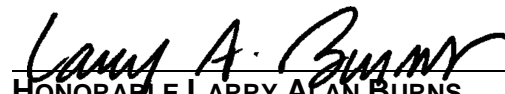
**ORDER GRANTING STAY AND  
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE**

Courts have broad discretion to stay cases pending the resolution of “proceedings which bear upon the case.” *Leyva v. Certified*, 593 F.2d 857, 863 (9th Cir. 1979). The Court finds good cause to stay this action until the JPML rules on Ford’s pending motion to consolidate over 100 similar actions. See *Equibel v. Ford*, 17cv2157 (S.D. Cal. Nov. 16, 2017) (granting stay); *En Fukasawa v. Ford*, 17cv2116 (S.D. Cal. Nov. 17, 2017) (same). All filing deadlines and hearing dates are vacated.

But venue appears improper. Because the parties are residents of Newport Beach, Irvine, and Palo Alto. Plaintiff is ordered to show cause why this case shouldn’t be dismissed for improper venue, or transferred to the Central District. 28 U.S.C. § 1391, 1404; *Costlow v. Weeks*, 790 F.2d 1486, 1488 (9th Cir.1986). Plaintiff must file a concise memorandum by December 1, and defendants may file a response by December 8.

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

Dated: November 22, 2017

  
HONORABLE LARRY ALAN BURNS  
United States District Judge