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8 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
9 SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
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11 JILL KATHLEEN BENTLEY,
12 Plaintiff,
13 v.
14 NAVIHEALTH, INC., and DOES 1-10,
15 inclusive,
16 Defendant.

Case No.: 19-CV-1298 JLS (WVG)

**ORDER GRANTING JOINT
MOTION TO STAY PENDING
MEDIATION**

(ECF No. 12)

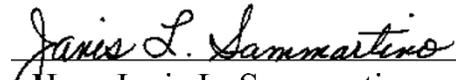
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18 Presently before the Court is the Parties' Joint Motion to Stay Pending Mediation.
19 ECF No. 12. The Parties represent that they have voluntarily agreed to mediate this
20 litigation and the first available date for the Parties and their mediator is March 12, 2020.
21 *Id.* at 3. The Parties request a stay of the entire matter until March 19, 2020, and propose
22 to jointly report to the Court the results of the mediation. *Id.* at 4.

23 "District courts have inherent authority to stay proceedings before them." *Rohan ex*
24 *rel. Gates v. Woodford*, 334 F.3d 803, 817 (9th Cir. 2003), *abrogated on other grounds by*
25 *Ryan v. Gonzales*, 568 U.S. 57 (2013). "[T]he power to stay proceedings is incidental to
26 the power inherent in every court to control the disposition of the causes on its docket with
27 economy of time and effort for itself, for counsel, and for litigants." *Landis v. N. Am. Co.*,
28 299 U.S. 248, 254 (1936). In light of the foregoing, the Court finds that granting the

1 requested stay would best promote the interests of securing a just, speedy, and inexpensive
2 determination of the action. *See* Fed. R. Civ. P. 1. Accordingly, the Court **GRANTS** the
3 Parties' Joint Motion. This action is hereby **STAYED** until March 19, 2020. The Court
4 **VACATES** all deadlines, including the ENE and CMC scheduled for October 31, 2019.
5 The Parties **SHALL FILE** a joint status report regarding the results of the mediation and
6 the Parties' positions as to whether the stay should be lifted on or before March 17, 2019.

7 **IT IS SO ORDERED.**

8 Dated: October 7, 2019


9 Hon. Janis L. Sammartino
10 United States District Judge
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