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## **DISCUSSION**

# Federal District Courts have Broad Discretion to Stay Discovery During the **Pendency of a Dispositive Motion**

It is well-established that district courts have broad discretion to control the nature and the timing of discovery. Salida v. United States Dep't of Fish & Wildlife, 288 F.R.D. 500 (D. Nev. 2013). This power arises not only from the permissive language contained with Rule 26(c)(1), but also from the "prime directive" itself, which orders district courts to apply the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure in such as a way as to "secure the just, speedy, and inexpensive determination of every action and proceeding. See Fed. R. Civ. Pr. 1; Pettit v. Pulte Mortg., LLC, 2011 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 131324, 12, 2011 WL 5546422 (D. Nev. Nov. 14, 2011).

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#### **CONCLUSION**

Accordingly, the parties ask the Court to stay this federal court action until March 1, 2017. The Parties expect that the underlying state court action will be instrumental in the settlement of the federal claims in the federal lawsuit. Therefore, it is HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED, by and between the Parties as follows:

- (1) This case should be stayed until March 1, 2017;
- (2) The discovery requests currently pending will be stayed; and
- (3) Defendant's Motion for Summary Judgment, ECF NO. 10, is withdrawn without prejudice.

DATED this 7th day of December 2016.

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IT IS SO ORDERED:

**UNITED STATES JUDGE** 

DATED: \_December 8, 2016

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