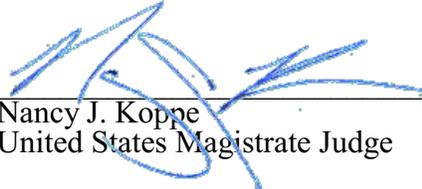


1 were not “compelling justification to deviate from the personal appearance requirements that the Court
2 has found allows for a productive settlement conference.” *Id.* at 2. Nonetheless, as the Court had set
3 the settlement conference at the request of the parties, the Court allowed the parties until January 10,
4 2018 to file a request to vacate the settlement conference, if they so chose. *Id.*

5 On January 5, 2018, the parties filed a stipulation to move the date of the settlement conference.
6 Docket No. 48. The parties stipulate that the settlement conference shall be rescheduled to March 20,
7 2018. *Id.* at 2. The parties’ stipulation does not provide five alternative dates on which all required
8 participants are available to attend the settlement conference and, instead, provides only one date - a date
9 on which the Court is unavailable. The Court therefore **DENIES** the parties’ stipulation without
10 prejudice. Docket No. 48. The Court further **ORDERS** the parties to meet, confer, and jointly submit
11 either five alternative dates on which all required participants are available to attend the settlement
12 conference, or a request to vacate the settlement conference, no later than January 10, 2018.

13 IT IS SO ORDERED.

14 DATED: January 5, 2018

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18 Nancy J. Koppe
19 United States Magistrate Judge
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