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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
DISTRICT OF NEVADA**

SHAWN FORD,

Plaintiff(s),

vs.

SCOTT MUELLER,

Defendant(s).

Case No. 2:17-cv-00168-JCM-NJK

ORDER

Pending before the Court is a stipulated discovery plan filed by Plaintiff and Defendant, in which they consent to this case being tried by a magistrate judge. *See* Docket No. 18 at 2. The third-party defendants have not yet appeared, however, and their answers are due on March 20, 2017. *Id.*; *see also* Fed. R. Civ. P. 73(a) (a magistrate judge may conduct a civil action “if all parties consent”). Accordingly, no later than March 27, 2017, the current parties shall meet-and-confer with the third-party defendants regarding whether all parties consent to the undersigned magistrate judge conducting all proceedings, including trial. Any party is free to withhold his consent without adverse substantive consequences. *See* Fed. R. Civ. P. 73(b)(2). No later than March 30, 2017, the parties shall file either (1) an executed Form AO 85 referring this civil action<sup>1</sup> or (2) a notice that not all parties have consented, that does not specifically identify which party or parties did not consent.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED: March 7, 2017

  
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NANCY J. KOPPE  
United States Magistrate Judge

<sup>1</sup> This form is available on the Court’s website at [www.nvd.uscourts.gov/Files/AO\\_085\\_0109.pdf](http://www.nvd.uscourts.gov/Files/AO_085_0109.pdf).