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 10 AMERICAN AIRLINES, INC. AND  
 AMERICAN AIRLINES GROUP, INC.

11 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**  
 12 **DISTRICT OF NEVADA**

14 MAHMUD MAHDI,

15 Plaintiff,

16 vs.

17 AMERICAN AIRLINES, INC., a foreign  
 18 corporation; AMERICAN AIRLINES  
 GROUP, INC., a foreign corporation;  
 19 DOES and ROES 1-100, inclusive,

20 Defendants.

Case No. 2:17-cv-02853-RFB-GWF

**MOTION FOR SUBSTITUTION OF  
 COUNSEL WITHIN FIRM**

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 22 Defendant AMERICAN AIRLINES, INC. (hereinafter “American Airlines” or “Defendant”) and AMERICAN AIRLINES, GROUP, INC. (“AAGH”) (collectively “Defendants”), hereby moves  
 23 this Court for an Order substituting counsel as follows:  
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25 Defendants request that Paul E. Bateman, Esq., pending approval of his *pro hac vice*  
 26 application filed contemporaneously herewith, be substituted for Melodie Craft, Esq. currently listed  
 27 as a Littler Mendelson attorney representing Defendants.  
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1 Melodie Craft is leaving the firm of Littler Mendelson and is no longer participating in this  
2 litigation. Mr. Bateman's current mailing address and email address are:

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7 Defendants continue to be represented in this action by the law firm of Littler Mendelson. The  
8 substitution of counsel is purely within the firm and will neither delay this matter nor prejudice  
9 Plaintiff. Based on the foregoing, Defendants respectfully requests that Paul E. Bateman, Esq. be  
10 substituted as counsel, and that Melodie Craft, Esq. be allowed to withdraw as counsel in this matter.

11 Dated: April 18, 2018

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13 Respectfully submitted,

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15 /s/ Kathryn B. Blakey, Esq.

16 PAUL E. BATEMAN  
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19 **IT IS SO ORDERED.**

20 Dated: April 23, 2018

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24 UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

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