STEVEN H. ROSENBAUM, Chief 1 R. TAMAR HAGLER, Deputy Chief JESSICA CROCKETT, Trial Attorney 2 United States Department of Justice 950 Pennsylvania Avenue NW 3 Washington, DC 20530 4 Tel: (202) 305-4013 Fax: (202) 514-1116 5 jessica.crockett@usdoj.gov 6 Attorneys for Plaintiff United States of America 7 8 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 9 DISTRICT OF NEVADA 10 ) Case No. 3:12-CV-00229-RCJ (VPC) SILVER STATE FAIR HOUSING COUNCIL, INC., and JOYCE EVELYN 11 ) UNITED STATES' MOTION RUANO, ) TO EXCUSE CHIEF AND 12 ) DEPUTY CHIEF FROM 13 SETTLEMENT CONFERENCE Plaintiffs, 14 ٧. 15 ROSEWOOD PARK, LLC and 16 MAGGIE CUEVAS, 17 Defendants. 18 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, 19 20 Plaintiff, 21 ν. 22 ROSEWOOD PARK, LLC, BUFF MANAGEMENT, INC., CHAIM 23 FREEMAN, JANE NOWACK, and 24 **MAGGIE CUEVAS** 25 Defendants. 26 27

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The United States respectfully moves this Court to excuse Housing and Civil Enforcement Chief Steven H. Rosenbaum and Deputy Chief R. Tamar Hagler from the settlement conference scheduled for September 12, 2013. Pursuant to the Court's Order dated August 13, 2013 (ECF No. 80), all counsel who will be litigating the case, as well as an authorized representative with final settlement authority must attend the settlement conference.

The United States will be represented at the settlement conference by Civil Rights

Division Trial Attorneys Jessica Crockett and Roger Severino who expect to try the case if no settlement is reached. Ms. Crockett and Mr. Severino will have authority to negotiate an agreement in principle at the settlement conference. However, any final resolution will need to be approved by Steven H. Rosenbaum, Chief of the Housing and Civil Enforcement Section of the Civil Rights Division, as well as R. Tamar Hagler, Deputy Chief of the Housing and Civil Enforcement Section.

Both Mr. Rosenbaum and Ms. Hagler are based in Washington, D.C. Mr. Rosenbaum leads the Housing and Civil Enforcement Section, and Ms. Hagler is one of six deputy chiefs in the Section. The Chief as well as the deputy chiefs are responsible for overseeing fair housing cases across the country. Their supervisory duties and management responsibilities make it difficult for them to attend the settlement conference in person. However, in the event that this motion is granted, Mr. Rosenbaum, Ms. Hagler, or an authorized designee will be available by telephone for the entire settlement conference. Plaintiffs Silver State Fair Housing Council, Inc. and Ms. Ruano do not oppose this Motion. Additionally, based on representations from opposing counsel, it is our understanding that the insurance carrier for Defendants will be present at the conference.

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1	For the foregoing reasons, the United States respectfully requests that Housing and Civil
2	Enforcement Section Chief Steven H. Rosenbaum and Deputy Chief R. Tamar Hagler be
3	excused from the September 12, 2013 settlement conference.
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6	Dated: September 5, 2013
7	Respectfully submitted,
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9	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
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22	IT IS SO ORDERED
23	Attorneys for the United States  U.S. MAGISTRATE JUDGE  DATED: 4,20/3
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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that on September 5, 2013, I caused a copy of the foregoing *United States' Unopposed Motion to Excuse Chief and Deputy Chief from Settlement Conference* to be sent via the Court's ECF system to the following:

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