

1 substitute supposition for facts greatly damaged the credibility of their assertions. The Court has
2 already sanctioned defendants for their improper litigation conduct: that issue has been resolved.
3 Plaintiff's request that the Court add to the sanction by assuming that defendants will not be able
4 to prove the authenticity of the document in their possession (or by precluding the admission of
5 evidence regarding that fact) is unwarranted and unjustified.

6 Finally, the Court did not "unequivocally order[] Heidi Buck-Morrison to remain
7 as lead counsel." Motion at 15. Defendants are free to retain multiple attorneys (as MERS and
8 OneWest have done), and those attorneys may choose to divide the tasks associated with the
9 representation amongst themselves. The Court will not compel defendants to speak solely
10 through Ms. Buck-Morrison simply because that would be most convenient for plaintiff.

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12 For all of the foregoing reasons, plaintiff's motion for sanctions is DENIED as
13 untimely or unsupported.

14 Dated this 23rd day of August, 2013.

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17 Robert S. Lasnik
18 United States District Judge
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