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6 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
7 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
8 AT SEATTLE

9 PROMOTION HOLDINGS GLOBAL,
10 INC.,

CASE NO. C16-1548-JCC

11 Plaintiff,

ORDER

12 v.

13 TARA PARKER,

14 Defendant.

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16 This matter comes before the Court on Plaintiff's motion to withdraw and substitute
17 counsel (Dkt. No. 38). Having thoroughly considered the parties' briefing and the relevant
18 record, the Court finds oral argument unnecessary and hereby GRANTS the motion for the
19 reasons explained herein.

20 Plaintiff's counsel, Sarah N. Turner and Neal J. Phillip, ask the Court to withdraw from
21 representation pursuant to Local Civil Rule 83.2. Since their motion, Plaintiff has obtained new
22 counsel, Mike Layton. (*See* Dkt. No. 38.) New counsel represents that he will not be seeking a
23 continuance of the trial date, currently set for October 23, 2017. (*Id.*)

24 Defendant objects to the motion to withdraw because it is untimely. *See* W.D. Wash.
25 Local Civ. R. 83.2(b)(1). Under the Local Rules, attorneys are ordinarily permitted to withdraw
26 until sixty days before the discovery cutoff date. *Id.* Although untimely, the motion to withdraw

1 does not prejudice Defendant because Plaintiff has obtained new counsel and does not anticipate
2 a change to the current trial schedule. Granting an untimely motion to withdraw is within the
3 Court's discretion. For the foregoing reasons, Plaintiff's motion to withdraw and substitute
4 counsel (Dkt. No. 38) is GRANTED. The withdrawal of counsel is effective immediately.

5 DATED this 9th day of August 2017.

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10 UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE
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