1	THERE IS NO REQUIREMENT FOR RETURN OF DECODERPRO.COM, WE CAN
2	SIMPLY SAY WE DON'T NECESSARILY WANT TO HAVE THAT BACK.
3	THE COURT: AND RESPONSE TO THE SECOND PART OF
4	QUESTION TWO, I TAKE IT, MR IS IT BRETAN?
5	MS. HALL: MR. BRITTON.
6	THE COURT: DOES HE CONSENT TO THIS COURT'S
7	JURISDICTION?
8	MS. HALL: WE HAVEN'T ASKED HIM YET. IF YOU DID
9	REQUIRE IF I MEAN, IF WE SAY WE DON'T WANT TO HAVE
10	DECODOPRO.COM RETURN IN THIS LITIGATION, TO US I THINK THAT
11	MOOTS THAT QUESTION BECAUSE HE'S WE'RE NOT LOOKING AT
12	ATTACKING THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT ANY LONGER.
13	THE COURT: IS THAT YOUR POSITION?
14	MS. HALL: IF YOU ORDER ME TO JOIN MR. BRITTON IT IS
15	PROBABLY, BUT I NEED TO GO CHECK WITH MR. BRITTON SEE IF HE'S
16	WILLING TO SUBJECT HIM TO THE JURISDICTION OF THE COURT.
17	THE COURT: ANYTHING YOU GOT TO SAY ON THAT POINT?
18	MR. JERGER: I'M NOT SURE I UNDERSTAND THE PLAINTIFF'S
19	RESPONSE. I'M NOT SURE HOW TO RESPOND TO THAT, OTHER THAN TO
20	SAY, CITE WHAT THE ARGUMENT WE BROUGHT UP IN OUR REPLY
21	PAPERS.
22	THAT UNDER THE CLAYTON BABBITT CASE THIS COURT DOESN'T
23	HAVE JURISDICTION TO ATTACK A NEGOTIATED SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT
24	IN OREGON DISTRICT COURT.
25	THE COURT: I THINK, WE HAVE AN AGREEMENT ON THAT.

MR. JERGER: I DIDN'T QUITE FOLLOW WHAT HER ARGUMENT 1 2 WAS. MS. HALL: MY ARGUMENT IS, THAT WE DON'T WANT TO --3 THE COURT: COUNSEL, WAIT. THE COURT ASKS THE 4 QUESTIONS. IF COUNSEL DOESN'T UNDERSTAND AN ANSWER, HE DOESN'T 5 GET TO GET AN ANSWER FROM YOU UNLESS I ASK FOR IT. 6 I UNDERSTOOD YOUR ANSWER. AS FRIGHTENING AS THAT 7 MIGHT BE, I DID UNDERSTAND YOUR ANSWER. 8 OUESTION NUMBER THREE. THIS GOES TO PARAGRAPHS H AND 9 T, WHICH I READ A COUPLE OF TIMES AND I'M JUST AT A LOSS, I 10 HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO FIND ANY AUTHORITY THAT GIVES YOU THE 11 RELIEF. ONE IS, I THINK, T IS REFERRING THIS MATTER TO THE 12 U.S. ATTORNEY FOR SOME KIND OF PERJURY PROSECUTION, WHAT IS --13 DO YOU HAVE ANY AUTHORITY? 14 MS. HALL: I RELIED UPON THE COURT'S INHERENT 15 AUTHORITY TO INVESTIGATE WRONGDOING BY THE PARTIES AND I'M 16 CITING CHAMBERS STANDARD ELECTRIC AND TIMES HERALD PRINTING 17 18 COMPANY. TIMES HERALD PRINTING COMPANY INVOLVED A MOTION FROM 19 ONE OF THE PARTIES TO REFER A PERJURY MATTER FOR PROSECUTION TO 20 THE U.S. ATTORNEY'S OFFICE AND THE COURT IN THAT INSTANCE 21 DECIDED NOT TO DO IT, BUT IT DIDN'T SAY, SORRY, I DON'T HAVE 22 23 THAT POWER. THE CONSOLATION PROCEEDINGS SOMETHING THE U.S. 24 ATTORNEY CAN DO, IT'S VERY RARE, BUT IT IS A POSSIBILITY, AND I 25

1 WANTED TO LEAVE THAT POSSIBILITY OPEN BECAUSE WE BELIEVE THAT 2 THE THEFT THAT HAS GONE ON BY DEFENDANTS IN THIS CASE THAT WE HAVE SEEN IN COPYRIGHT AND SEEN ALSO IN THE CYBER SQUATTING 3 EXTENDS ALSO TO THE PATENTS, AND WHEN THE FULL FACTS ARE KNOWN 4 WE WANT TO PRESENT THAT AS A POSSIBILITY THAT THE COURT WILL 5 6 CONSIDER. 7 THE COURT: OKAY. CHAMBERS VERSUS NASCO HAS TO DO 8 WITH THE COURT'S INHERENT AUTHORITY TO SANCTION COUNSEL WHO 9 BASICALLY CONDUCT THEMSELVES IN BAD FAITH IN A PROCEEDING 10 BEFORE THE COURT. 11 MS. HALL: IT DISCUSSES THAT THERE ARE STATUTES, DO NOT LIMIT THE COURT'S AUTHORITY TO BE ABLE TO PUNISH, 12 13 INVESTIGATE WRONGDOING OF PARTIES. AND SO I CITED THAT CASE 14 FOR THAT PROPOSITION THAT IT'S NOT MERELY LIMITED TO, SAY, RULE 15 11 OR 28 USC SECTION 1927. 28 USC 1927. 16 THE COURT: ANYTHING YOU WANT TO SAY? 17 MR. JERGER: WE'VE FOUND NO AUTHORITY EITHER TO AUTHORIZE UNDER ANY FEDERAL OR STATE STATUTE THE RELIEF 18 19 REOUESTED IN PARAGRAPHS H AND T. 20 THE COURT: ALL RIGHT. LET'S MOVE ONTO PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION. AND FIRST QUESTION I'LL PUT 21 22 TO PLAINTIFF IN THE FIRST INSTANCE. 23 MS. HALL: PLAINTIFF IS ENTITLED TO A PRESUMPTION OF 24 IRREPARABLE HARM BECAUSE OF THE INFRINGEMENT, THAT'S ONE THINGS 25 THAT WE'RE RELYING UPON.

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AND THE OTHER THING IS THAT WE DON'T HAVE ANY PROOF WHATSOEVER THAT THEY HAVE COMPLIED WITH THE TERMS AND THAT THERE IS -- THEY'VE OFFERED NO PROOF THAT -- THERE'S NO WAY THAT THEY COULD RETURN TO THEIR OLD WAYS.

WE HAVE CD -- WE HAVE 307 RIGHT HERE, APPARENTLY A NEW ONE CALLED 308, WHICH HAS NOT BEEN RECEIVED BY MY CLIENT, MY CLIENT ENTITLED TO UPDATES, HE'S NOT SENT MY CLIENT THESE YET.

MY CLIENT HAS TRIED TO OPEN UP THE DATABASE TO FIND OUT WHETHER OR NOT THE SAME SELECTION COMPILATION ORDERING GROUPING THAT IS IMPORTANT IN THE DECODER DEFINITIONAL FILES IN THAT STILL PRESENT, THAT WOULD INDICATE THAT OUR FILES WERE THE SOURCE OF THOSE AND THERE'S A REASON TO THINK THAT IT MIGHT VERY WELL BE.

HOW LONG DID IT TAKE FOR PLAINTIFF TO DEVELOP THESE FILES? SAY, FIVE YEARS, HUNDREDS, THOUSANDS OF HOURS, DOZENS OF THOUSANDS?

DEFENDANT SEEMS TO COME UP WITH OVERNIGHT A DATABASE THAT HAS ALL THESE SAME THINGS, ALL THESE SAME THING THAT PLAINTIFF NOW OFFERS, HOW COULD HE HAVE DONE THAT OVERNIGHT?

THE COURT: WHAT EVIDENCE IS BEFORE THE COURT THAT THE DEFENDANTS HAVE NOT VOLUNTARILY COMPLIED WITH THE TERMS OF THE -- YOUR DEMAND AND TO PROVE THAT THIS ALLEGED WRONGFUL ACTIVITY CANNOT REASONABLY BE EXPECTED TO RECUR. YOU HAVE THE BURDEN.

MS. HALL: ACTUALLY, WE PROVE THEY COMMITTED

INFRINGEMENT, IT'S THEIR JOB, THE BURDEN ACTUALLY SHIFTS TO THEM TO SHOW THAT THEY ARE NO LONGER INFRINGING.

ALL WE HAVE A CONCLUSORY STATEMENT. WE HAVE NOTHING FROM THIS CD, I GAVE THIS CD TO MR. JERGER AND SAY OPEN THIS UP AND SHOW US WHAT IS ON THE CD AND IN THE DATABASE, AND THE BURDEN IS ON THEM ONCE WE HAVE SHOWN THAT THEY HAVE INFRINGED FOR THEM TO SHOW, NO, THEY DON'T AND, NO, THEY WILL NOT CONTINUE.

THE COURT: ALL RIGHT.

MR. JERGER: JUST TO INITIALLY ADDRESS THAT. WE DISAGREE THAT THE BURDEN IS ON US. PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION EXTRAORDINARY REMEDY MEANT TO PRESERVE THE STATUS QUO.

WE SUBMITTED A DECLARATION THAT SHOWS WE ARE NOT DOING ANYTHING AT ALL WHATSOEVER, AND THAT IN -- OUT OF ABUNDANCE OF CAUTION WE HAVE RETOOLED EVERY POSSIBLE ALLEGEDLY INFRINGING PIECE OF SOFTWARE AND THEY COME FORWARD WITH NO EVIDENCE THAT WE ARE NOT, IN FACT, DOING THAT.

THEY ARE RESTING ON THIS PRESUMPTION OF IRREPARABLE

HARM, WHICH AS I STATED BEFORE, I DON'T THINK APPLIES. BUT

EVEN IF IT DOES APPLY, I THINK, DEFENDANTS HAVE EFFECTIVELY

REBUTTED THAT PRESUMPTION, A, BECAUSE THEY HAVEN'T ALLEGED ANY

HARM THEY HAVE, B, THEY HAVEN'T SHOWN THAT WE HAVE NOT COMPLIED

WITH THESE REQUESTS, C, THEIR CONDUCT WHICH I GO THROUGH IN MY

REPLY PAPERS WITH THE DELAY, THESE SORTS OF THINGS, AND SO

THAT'S MY RESPONSE TO HER IDEAS THERE.

NOW, I WANT TO JUMP BACK TO QUESTION NUMBER ONE. WHAT HARM DOES PLAINTIFF SEEK TO PREVENT BY AN INJUNCTION THAT'S ADDRESSED TO THE PLAINTIFF?

IS IT ABSOLUTELY CLEAR DEFENDANT'S ALLEGEDLY WRONGFUL ACTIVITY CANNOT REASONABLY BE EXPECTED TO OCCUR, AND I WOULD SAY, YES, IT IS ABSOLUTELY CLEAR WHAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT HERE IS A SPREAD SHEET OF DATA.

WHAT MY CLIENT HAS DONE IS COMPLETELY REPLACED THAT WITH NEW DATA 100 PERCENT. IT SERVES THE SAME FUNCTIONALITY AS THE DECODER DEFINITION FILES, THE PREVIOUS ALLEGED DECODER DEFINITION FILES THAT WERE IN MY CLIENT'S SOFTWARE, 100 PERCENT THE SAME FUNCTIONALITY.

IN OTHER WORDS, THE DECODER DEFINITION FILES IS NO VALUE, THERE WOULD BE NO REASON MY CLIENT WOULD EVER REVERT TO ANY OF THE ALLEGEDLY INFRINGING PRODUCT.

HE'S TAKEN EVERYTHING THAT'S -- THAT THEY ALLEGE INFRINGES OFF HIS WEB SITE, HE SHIPS NEW PRODUCT. I HAVE THE VERSION 308 WITH ME IF MS. HALL WOULD LIKE A COPY OF THAT. SO THE NEW SOFTWARE AS IT'S GONE FORWARD HAS 100 PERCENT REPLACED ALL THE ALLEGED INFRINGING PRODUCT.

I THINK, IT IS ABSOLUTELY CLEAR THAT ALL ALLEGEDLY INFRINGING ACTIVITY CEASED AND THERE'S NO POSSIBILITY OF RECURRENCE BECAUSE THERE'S NO REASON THAT DEFENDANTS WOULD EVER GO BACK TO THE OLD ALLEGEDLY INFRINGING DATA WHEN THEY HAVE THEIR OWN DATA WHICH IS SERVES A HUNDRED PERCENT OF THE

FUNCTIONALITY.

THE COURT: SO, LET THEY STOP YOU. WE HAVE A DECLARATION TO THAT EFFECT. WHAT EVIDENCE IN THE RECORD REFUTES THAT?

AND EVEN ASSUMING YOUR ANALYSIS OF PROCEDURAL POSTURE

IS CORRECT ON -- THE BURDEN SHIFTS BY VIRTUE OF THE DECLARATION

THAT THE DEFENDANTS SUBMITTED, IT HAS SHIFTED, YOU GOT A HIGH

ENERGY SITUATION.

MS. HALL: WHO CAN'T OPEN THIS DATABASE AND HE'S
CONSULTED WITH FRIENDS WHO ARE ALSO EXPERTS IN SOFTWARE AND
THEY CAN'T OPEN THE DATABASE EITHER. THEY HAD TWO MONTHS, WHY
COULDN'T THEY GIVE US THE SPREAD SHEET THEY TALK ABOUT? WE
COULD HAVE DONE OUR OWN ANALYSIS.

THE COURT: THE POINT IS, DO YOU HAVE ANY EVIDENCE

TO -- OTHER THAN WHAT YOU'RE SAYING HERE VERBALLY IN COURT, TO

REFUTE THE DECLARATION THAT THE DEFENDANTS SUBMITTED THEY

BASICALLY HAVE CEASED THE ACTIVITY THAT YOUR CLIENT IS

COMPLAINING ABOUT?

MS. HALL: THE EVIDENCE THAT I'VE DESCRIBED ALREADY,

THE EVIDENCE THAT -- THE STATEMENT THEY HAVE MADE IS

CONCLUSORY, DOESN'T OFFER ANY, YOU KNOW, WHERE'S THE SPREAD

SHEET? COULDN'T THEY HAVE INCLUDED THAT?

NO, THEY CAN'T. IT'S THEIR BURDEN TO BE ABLE TO SHOW THEY HAVE STOPPED AND THAT THEY WILL NOT RETURN TO IT. 307 DOES NOT WORK.

THE COURT: HAVE YOU FILED AN OBJECTION?

MS. HALL: YES. I FILED A NUMBER OF OBJECTIONS, BUT I FORGET EXACTLY -- I KNOW I MADE THAT ARGUMENT SOMEWHERE IN MY PAPERS. THIS IS THE -- NECESSARY DON'T WORK.

IT'S IMPORTANT TO REMEMBER THAT THE BURDEN HERE ONCE WE'VE SHOWN THAT IT IS ON THEM AND, SECOND, THAT UNDER W.T.

GRANT THE U.S. SUPREME COURT DECISION THE COURT SHOULD BE WARY ANY ATTEMPT TO DEFEAT THE INJUNCTION BY PROTESTATION REPENTANCE AND REFORM WHEN THE SENSATION TIME TO AVOID THE PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION.

THE COURT: SLOW DOWN.

MS. HALL: THANK YOU.

THE COURT: START OVER AGAIN. TELL US EXACTLY WHERE YOU'RE READING FROM.

MS. HALL: I'M READING FROM A QUOTE FROM W.T. GRANT
WHICH HAVE IN MY NOTES. THAT IS, THAT THE COURT SHOULD BE WARY
OF AN ATTEMPT TO DEFEAT INJUNCTION WHEN THE DEFENDANTS HAVE
BEEN MAKING THESE PROTESTATIONS OF REPENTANCE AND REFORM, AND
THESE PROTESTATIONS ARE TIMED TO AVOID THE PRELIMINARY
INJUNCTION, AND THEY HAVEN'T SHOWN THERE IS NO PROBABILITY OF
RECESSION, THE BURDEN ON THEM. AND THEY HAD TWO MONTHS TO GIVE
ME THIS SPREAD SHEET, WHERE IS IT? I DON'T KNOW.

THE COURT: I'LL GIVE YOU THE LAST WORD ON THIS POINT.

MR. JERGER: WELL, THREE QUICK POINTS. I THINK, I
ALREADY ADDRESSED THE MOOTNESS ARGUMENT SHE'S RECENTLY RAISING.

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I THINK, THIS IS DISTINGUISHABLE FROM THE LGS CASE THAT YOU CITE IN YOUR TENTATIVE RULING, IN THAT MY CLIENTS HAVE CEASED ALL ACTIVITY, THERE'S NO POSSIBILITY OF REOCCURRENCE AND THERE IS NO CERTAINTY WHETHER ANY INFRINGEMENT IS CURRENTLY ONGOING.

IN REGARD TO THESE CONTINUED ALLEGATIONS THEY CAN'T

GET THE PRODUCT TO WORK, I'LL JUST SAY, THAT MY UNDERSTANDING

FROM MY CLIENT IS THEY HAVEN'T REGISTERED WITH A NEW

REGISTRATION NUMBER AND THAT'S WHY -- THAT'S HIS THEORY ON WHY

THEIR VERSION ISN'T WORKING. THERE'S NO NEFARIOUS THINGS GOING

ON THERE.

THIRD, BACK TO THE BURDEN, WE VIGOROUSLY DISAGREE THAT THEY HAVE MET ANY SORT OF BURDEN AND THAT BURDEN HAS SHIFTED TO US. WE DISAGREE THAT THEY'VE SHOWN IN THEIR MOVING PAPERS THEY WOULD, IN FACT, SUCCEED ON THE MERITS.

SIMPLE THINGS, FOR EXAMPLE, THE PLAINTIFF HASN'T EVEN DEFINED HIS COPYRIGHT RIGHTS WHICH WOULD BE THE FIRST ELEMENT OF A PRIMA FACIE CASE OF COPYRIGHT. WE DON'T KNOW -- OR WE DO KNOW HE'S NOT THE OWNER OF THE -- ALL THE DECODER DEFINITION FILES HE ALLEGES IN PARAGRAPH 41 OF THE AMENDED COMPLAINT.

WE ALSO KNOW HE'S NOT THE OWNER OF THE QSI MANUAL ONE OF THE INFRINGING DATA PRODUCTS. BEFORE THOSE MERITS ISSUED WOULD BE DECIDED MORE FACTUAL DISCOVERY WOULD BE NEEDED TO DETERMINE THE EXTENT OF THE RIGHTS THE FOLKS HAVE.

THEY DIDN'T ASSIGN THEIR COPYRIGHT RIGHTS TO

MR. JACOBSEN, WHETHER THEY WORKED ON THE DECODER DEFINITIONS AS

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1	A WHOLE OR WHETHER THEY WORKED ON DISCREET PARTS, AND IF THOSE
2	PARTS AREN'T ASSIGNED TO MR. JACOBSEN THEN THOSE AREN'T PART OF
3	ANY SORT OF PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION. HE'S NOT THE OWNER.
4	MS. HALL: I THINK, WE ASSIGNMENTS FROM ALL OF THEM
5	OR JUST ABOUT EVERYONE.
6	THE COURT: STOP. LET'S MOVE ONTO QUESTION TWO, AND
7	I'LL PUT THAT QUESTION TO YOU ABOUT DIRECT OR INDUCED
8	INDUCEMENT OF COPYRIGHT INFRINGEMENT.
9	MR. JERGER: SURE. UPON FURTHER REFLECTION WE AGREE
10	WITH THE COURT THAT DEFENDANTS WOULD BE LIABLE IN THAT
11	SCENARIO.
12	THE COURT: I ASSUME, YOU DON'T DISAGREE TODAY WE
13	THAT, MS. HALL?
14	MS. HALL: THE COURT IS CORRECT.
15	THE COURT: THANK YOU. ANYTHING FURTHER THE PARTIES
16	WISH TO ADDRESS AT THIS POINT THAT'S NOT IN THE QUESTIONS OR
17	NOT IN YOUR PAPERS?
18	MS. HALL?
19	MS. HALL: YES, I'D LIKE TO MAKE A POINT ABOUT THE
20	IRREPARABLE HARM HERE. THERE IS IRREPARABLE HARM, AN
21	INJUNCTION IS AN APPROPRIATE THING TO ISSUE BECAUSE OF THE
22	NATURE OF THE SOURCE GROUPS.
23	OPEN SOURCE GROUPS ARE DEFUSED GROUPS, THEY HAVE A FEW
24	LEADERS. THEY OFTEN DO NOT ACTUALLY, I THINK, THE PURPOSE
25	OF OPEN SOURCE NOT TO CHARGE ANYTHING FOR THE USE OF THE

SOFTWARE, AND THAT BASICALLY MEANS THERE WILL BE ALMOST NO CHANCE FOR DAMAGES.

UNDER NORMAL CIRCUMSTANCES MAYBE SOME INSTANCES, AND SO IN AN -- INSTANCES DAMAGES ARE NOT ADEQUATE INJUNCTION IS THE REMEDY THAT WE SEEK. WE BELIEVE IT'S AN APPROPRIATE ONE. IT'S ONE THAT'S GOING TO ALLOW THESE OPEN SOURCE GROUPS TO CONTINUE TO FLOURISH. THEY WILL HAVE THIS REMEDY AVAILABLE TO THEM TO BE ABLE TO STOP PEOPLE LIKE MR. KATZER AND HIS COMPANY FROM INFRINGING.

AND ONE THING I ALSO LIKE TO POINT OUT. EVEN IF 307

AND 308 ARE NOT -- AREN'T FUNCTIONAL AND, AGAIN, AS I SAID, I

DON'T HAVE A SPREAD SHEET OR ANY INFORMATION ABOUT THAT,

DEFENDANTS HAVE NOT SHOWN THEY HAVE STOPPED.

THERE ARE OTHER VERSIONS THAT ARE PRESENT OUT THERE
AND MY CLIENT HAS DESCRIBED HOW -- IN HIS DECLARATION HOW
PEOPLE CAN USE THE OTHER VERSIONS AND CAN STILL USE THE
SOFTWARE TOOL.

MR. KATZER SAID THAT HE HAS FIXED IT SO THAT THE SOFTWARE WILL NO LONGER BE FUNCTIONAL AFTER CERTAIN DATE.

WELL, THAT'S -- ONE OF THEM IS IN MARCH OF '07 THAT'S

CONTINUING HARM AND, AGAIN, MY CLIENT THROUGH HIS EXPERIMENTS

THAT IT DOESN'T STOP IN MARCH IT ACTUALLY WILL CONTINUE TO GO

ON, SO THERE IS CONTINUING HARM.

IT'S NOT BEEN STOPPED AND WE ASK THE COURT TO ISSUE A PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION.

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THE COURT: COUNSEL, LAST WORD.

MR. JERGER: AS MY CLIENT STATES IN HIS DECLARATION, HE'S DONE EVERYTHING HUMANLY POSSIBLE HE CAN DO. ALL THE OLD VERSIONS OUT, ALL REGISTERED USERS HAVE BEEN SENT NEW VERSIONS WHICH DON'T CONTAIN ANY OF THE ALLEGEDLY INFRINGING PRODUCT, EVERYTHING BEEN TAKEN OFF THE INTERNET.

THERE'S REALLY NOTHING ELSE HUMANLY POSSIBLE TO DO AND WE, AGAIN, DISAGREE THAT PLAINTIFF ARTICULATED ANY IRREPARABLE HARM, BUT RATHER REST ON A CONCLUSORY STATEMENT THAT HE HAS AND WILL SUFFER IRREPARABLE HARM, AND THIS PRESUMPTION GENERALLY APPLIES TO COPYRIGHT CASES.

THE COURT: LET'S -- MATTER SUBMITTED. I WANT TO MOVE ONTO THE CASE MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE.

THE PARTIES HAVE SUBMITTED A JOINT STATEMENT. THE FIRST THING GIVEN THE NATURE -- TO THE EXTENT THIS CASE CONTINUES GIVEN THE NATURE OF THE, SHALL WE SAY, PENDING DISCOVERY DISPUTES AND THE COMPLEXITY OF THEM, EVEN THOUGH THIS COURT GENERALLY HANDLES ITS OWN DISCOVERY DISPUTES, THIS IS A CASE WHERE I'M GOING TO EXERCISE MY DISCRETION TO REFER ALL DISCOVERY MATTERS TO A RANDOMLY ASSIGNED MAGISTRATE JUDGE TO RESOLVE ALL OF THOSE MATTERS AND I'M GOING TO ORDER THAT IN A WRITTEN ORDER TODAY.

MS. HALL: I HAVE -- I WAS INTERN FOR JUDGE SPERO, I THINK, MIGHT NOT BE A GOOD IDEA TO REFER TO IT TO JUDGE SPERO. TO PUT THAT IN THE RECORD.

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THE COURT: I UNDERSTAND THAT GIVEN COUNSEL IS PLAINTIFF'S COUNSEL, THE FACT SHE WAS A EXTERN FOR JUDGE SPERO WOULD BE INAPPROPRIATE. HE SHOULD BE EXCLUDED FROM THAT RANDOM ASSIGNMENT.

I WOULD SAY, BASED UPON THE FILINGS HERE, THAT TO THE EXTENT THIS CASE DOES CONTINUE, I THINK, IT WOULD BEHOOVE THE PARTIES, THE PLAINTIFF HAS ALREADY STATED HIS POSITION, TO CONSIDER A CONSENT TO A MAGISTRATE JUDGE FOR ALL PURPOSES.

THIS IS -- ONGOING DISPUTES IN THIS CASE, THIS COURT HAS A HUGE DOCKET, AND AGAIN THE COURT DOES NOT INTEND TO, CAN'T AND WON'T REQUIRE THE PARTIES TO SO CONSENT, BUT WE HAVE, I THINK, SOME OF THE BEST MAGISTRATE JUDGES IN THE COUNTRY WHO ARE TREATED LIKE DISTRICT JUDGES, ARTICLE 3 JUDGES. THEY HAVE MORE TIME TO CONSIDER THESE MATTERS AND TO THE EXTENT YOUR CLIENTS ARE LOOKING FOR EXPEDITIOUS RELIEF YOU'LL GET IT MORE EXPEDITIOUSLY FROM A MAGISTRATE JUDGE.

SO IN A MATTER -- THIS IS A MATTER, I THINK, BOTH PLAINTIFF HAS STATED HIS POSITION, DEFENDANTS HAVE STATED THEIR POSITION, I'D LIKE YOU TO -- BOTH SIDES GO BACK TO THEIR RESPECTIVE CLIENTS AND TO ADDRESS THIS ISSUE AND LET THE COURT KNOW BY THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS NEXT WEEK AS A JOINT MATTER WHETHER YOU'RE WILLING TO RECONSIDER.

AGAIN, NO ADVERSE CONSEQUENCES OTHER THAN WHAT I MENTIONED, WHICH IS HAVING THE MATTER CONSIDERED BY MORE BUSIER JUDGE WITH MORE CASES. IF YOU DECIDE NOT TO, BUT IN THE

MEANTIME, IN THE INTERIM I'M GOING TO ORDER THAT ALL DISCOVERY
MATTERS BE HANDLED BY RANDOMLY ASSIGNED MAGISTRATE JUDGE,
EXCEPT JUDGE SPERO.

NOW, BOTH SIDES, YOUR CLIENT HAS INDICATED HIS WILLINGNESS TO CONSENT?

MS. HALL: I HAVEN'T FILED THE PAPERS, BUT.

THE COURT: YOU DON'T NEED TO. BUT WHAT I'M SAYING
IS, I WANT TO KEEP THIS, I'M NOT REALLY INTERESTED IN INKLING
OUT ONE SIDE OR THE OTHER IN TERMS OF WILLINGNESS OR
UNWILLINGNESS.

IF BOTH PARTIES DON'T CONSENT IT DOESN'T GO TO THE MAGISTRATE JUDGE FOR ALL PURPOSES, IN LIGHT OF THE FACT I'M GIVING A WEEK, IN LIGHT OF THE FACT THAT YOU AND YOUR CLIENT HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO OBSERVE THIS COURT, I'M GIVING YOU AN OPPORTUNITY.

IN OTHER WORDS, YOU'RE NOT BOUND BY THAT DECISION. I
HOPE THAT YOUR CLIENT WOULD CONSIDER, CONTINUE TO CONSIDER THAT
CHOICE, BUT I'M GIVING BOTH SIDES, I WANT A JOINT FILING BY
NEXT WEEK INDICATING WHETHER THE PARTIES ARE INTERESTED IN
CONSENT.

AND IF YOU CAN MANIFEST THAT BY CONSENTING OR FILING
THE APPROPRIATE PAPERS BY CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON THE 26TH OF
JANUARY OR FILE A STATEMENT THAT SAYS THE PARTIES, ALL OF THE
PARTIES DO NOT CONSENT TO A MAGISTRATE JUDGE AND THAT WAY WE'LL
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THE FIRST ISSUE I WANT TO CONSIDER IS ON PAGE SIX OF YOUR CASE MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE STATEMENT. YOU SAY THAT KAM AND KATZER ANTICIPATE THAT NEW PARTIES WILL BE ADDED. JACOBSEN MAY ALSO ADD PARTIES TO THE CLAIMS AND I WANT TO PUT A CAP ON THIS.

I DON'T WANT TO HAVE AMENDMENTS ADDING PARTIES ON THE EAVE OF TRIAL, FOR EXAMPLE. SO LET ME START WITH PLAINTIFF, HOW SOON WILL YOU BE ABLE TO MAKE THAT DETERMINATION?

MS. HALL: THE PARTIES WOULD BE -- ADD BRITTON IF YOU SO ORDERED, ASSUMING THAT YOU STILL WANT HIM IN, IF WE DECIDE WE DON'T WANT TO DECODERPRO.COM, POSSIBLY ROBERT BOWENS AND BOWENS ENGINEERING.

THE COURT: THAT'S A WHO, I WANT A WHEN.

MS. HALL: WHEN I WOULD FILE AN AMENDED COMPLAINT OR MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE AMENDED COMPLAINT, THERE ARE A COUPLE OF THINGS WE HAVE DISCOVERED.

THE COURT: I KNOW, I WANT A WHEN, NOW YOU'VE GIVEN ME A WHY?

MS. HALL: IT REALLY DEPENDENT ON WHAT YOU DECIDE TO RULE.

THE COURT: ONE SCENARIO IS YOU WILL HAVE TEN DAYS FROM THE ISSUANCE OF AN ORDER RESOLVING THE CURRENT MOTIONS.

IN TURN WILL BE TRIGGERED BY THIS COURT'S ORDER, THE ISSUANCE OF THE COURT'S ORDER.

BY THAT TIME I EXPECT THE PARTIES TO ADD ANY
ADDITIONAL PARTIES THEY WISH TO ADD. SO THE MATTER, AT LEAST,
WILL PROGRESS TO THAT POINT. AND THAT ORDER BECAUSE THIS COURT
WILL ISSUE ITS ORDER, I GUESS, ONE THING I WANT TO SAY IS THIS.

THAT BY ASKING THE PARTIES TO CONSENT TO A MAGISTRATE

JUDGE, THAT DOESN'T MEAN THAT THIS COURT WILL NOT RESOLVE THE

MOTIONS BEFORE THE -- IT WILL BECAUSE IT WILL BE UNFAIR TO GIVE

THOSE DE NOVO TO A MAGISTRATE JUDGE, SO YOU CAN ASSURE YOUR

CLIENTS THE COURT WILL DO THAT.

THE PARTIES INDICATE THEY WILL FILE ANY MOTIONS FOR COURT ORDERS RELATING TO OBTAINING FOREIGN DISCOVERY AND TAKING FOREIGN DEPOSITION BY FEBRUARY 16TH, THAT'S THE PLAINTIFF'S PROPOSAL, DOES DEFENDANTS DISAGREE WITH THAT?

MR. JERGER: YES.

THE COURT: STOP. THEN I'M GOING TO LEAVE THAT TO THE MAGISTRATE JUDGE, EVEN IF YOU DON'T CONSENT, WILL DECIDE THAT.

SO IF THERE'S NOT AGREEMENT I'M NOT GOING TO DEAL WITH IT AT THIS TIME.

WITH RESPECT TO THE DATES, THE DUELING SETS OF DATES,
THE ONE OTHER POINT WITH RESPECT TO NAMING OF NEW PARTIES, ONE
OF THE -- IF THERE ARE NEW PARTIES NAMED AND YOU HAVE
INFORMATION ABOUT ANY APPROPRIATE AFFILIATES OR THAT IF YOU
KNOW THEY HAVE COUNSEL YOU SHOULD LET THE COURT KNOW BECAUSE AS

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THE PLAINTIFF POINTS OUT THE COURT WANTS TO KNOW THIS INFORMATION, SO THAT ANY RECUSAL OR DISQUALIFICATION ISSUES MIGHT BE ADDRESSED EARLY ON.

WITH RESPECT TO THE DUELING DATES I WANT TO SAY TWO THINGS: THE FIRST THING IS, I WILL DEAL WITH THE -- BECAUSE THE PARTIES DON'T AGREE I WILL BE SOLO NUMBER LIKE AND DECIDE THE DATES AND PUT THEM IN MY ORDER WITH THE FOLLOWING EXCEPTION, THAT WITH RESPECT TO THAT DETERMINATION WILL BE MADE IN A LATER ORDER.

IN OTHER WORD, SHOULD THE COURT GET ITS ORDER OUT THIS WEEK THE DATES, THE ACTUAL DATES FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF THIS CASE ARE TO BE DONE BY THE JUDGE WHO'S GOING TO TRY THE CASE. IF THE PARTIES CONSENT TO A MAGISTRATE JUDGE THE MAGISTRATE JUDGE WILL DO THAT, WILL SELECT THOSE DATES.

AND I'M NOT GOING TO USURP THAT ABILITY TO MANAGE THE CASE OF THE JUDGE WHO'S GOING TO HANDLE IT. IF MY ORDER IS ISSUED BEFORE NEXT FRIDAY THEN I'LL DEAL -- AND THE PARTIES DO NOT CONSENT TO A MAGISTRATE JUDGE, THEN I WILL ISSUE A SEPARATE ORDER WITH THE DATES THAT WILL GOVERN THE COMPLETION OF DISCOVERY AND PRETRIAL AND FILING OF DISPOSITIVE MOTIONS.

AND IN THE FUTURE WHETHER THE PARTIES ARE BEFORE THIS COURT OR A MAGISTRATE JUDGE IT WOULD BEHOOVE THE PARTIES TO MORE COMPLETELY AND ADEQUATELY AND EFFECTIVELY MEET AND CONFER WITH RESPECT TO DATES BECAUSE IT'S NOT THE COURT'S JOB, USUALLY NOT THE BEST MANAGEMENT TO BASICALLY PICK DATES WHEN THE

PARTIES DISAGREE. THE PARTIES SHOULD KNOW THEIR CASE, THEY SHOULD BE ABLE TO AGREE ON THESE DATES. SO I WOULD SUGGEST THAT THE PARTIES IN THE FUTURE MEET AND CONFER. FOR NOW THE JUDGE WHO'S GOING TO BEING BE HANDLING THIS CASE IN A PLENARY FASHION WILL MAKE THOSE DETERMINATIONS IN A FURTHER ORDER. SO I DON'T BELIEVE THERE'S ANYTHING ELSE WE CAN ACCOMPLISH AT THIS POINT UNTIL THE MOTIONS ARE RESOLVED, BUT HAVING SAID THAT, IS THERE ANYTHING FURTHER FROM PLAINTIFF? MS. HALL: NOTHING I CAN THINK OF. MR. JERGER: NOTHING FURTHER. THE COURT: THE MATTER SUBMITTED. THANK YOU. (PROCEEDINGS ADJOURNED.)

CERTIFICATE OF REPORTER

I, THE UNDERSIGNED, HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING PROCEEDINGS WERE REPORTED BY ME, A CERTIFIED SHORTHAND REPORTER, AND WERE THEREAFTER TRANSCRIBED UNDER MY DIRECTION INTO TYPEWRITING; THAT THE FOREGOING IS A FULL, COMPLETE AND TRUE RECORD OF SAID PROCEEDINGS.

I FURTHER CERTIFY THAT I AM NOT OF COUNSEL OR ATTORNEY FOR EITHER OR ANY OF THE PARTIES IN THE FOREGOING PROCEEDINGS AND CAPTION NAMED, OR IN ANY WAY INTERESTED IN THE OUTCOME OF THE CAUSE NAMED IN SAID CAPTION.

THE FEE CHARGED AND THE PAGE FORMAT FOR THE TRANSCRIPT CONFORM TO THE REGULATIONS OF THE JUDICIAL CONFERENCE.

FURTHERMORE, I CERTIFY THE INVOICE DOES NOT CONTAIN CHARGES FOR THE SALARIED COURT REPORTER'S CERTIFICATION PAGE.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I HAVE HEREUNTO SET MY HAND THIS 17TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2007.