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Motions: Motions shall be filed and set for hearing in accordance with
 Local Rule 7-4 through 7-8. Motions are heard on Mondays at 1:30 p.m., unless
 otherwise ordered by this Court. If Monday is a national holiday, this Court DOES
 NOT hear motions on the succeeding Tuesday. Any motions noticed for a holiday
 shall automatically be set to the next Monday without further notice to the parties.

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A. <u>Page Limits</u>: Memoranda of Points and Authorities in support of or in opposition to motions shall not exceed <u>25 pages</u>. Replies, thereto, shall not exceed <u>12 pages</u>. These are maximum page limits. It is the Court's preference that the pleadings be shorter. If it cannot be said briefly, then it is not a "brief."

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B. Motions for Summary Judgment: Use of depositions.

Pursuant to Local Rule 32-1, no original or copy of a deposition shall be
lodged in support of a Motion for Summary Judgment (or other substantive
motion). Counsel shall file the pertinent excerpts of depositions as an exhibit or
supplement to said motion.

15 4. DISCOVERY: ALL DISCOVERY MATTERS HAVE BEEN 16 REFERRED TO A UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE (see initial 17 designation in parenthesis following the case number) for the specific purpose of 18 hearing all discovery matters. Discovery disputes of a significant nature should be 19 brought promptly before the Magistrate Judge. The Court does not look favorably 20 upon delay resulting from unnecessarily unresolved discovery disputes. Any 21 discovery disputes that are not resolved three (3) weeks prior to the scheduled trial 22 date should be brought promptly and directly to the attention of this Court. 23 Counsel are directed to contact the clerk for the assigned Magistrate Judge to 24 schedule matter for hearing. The words <u>DISCOVERY MATTER</u> shall appear in the caption of all documents relating to discovery to insure proper routing. 25 26 The decision of the Magistrate Judge shall be final and binding, subject to 27 modification by the District Court only where it has been shown that the 28 Magistrate Judge's order is clearly erroneous or contrary to law.

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Within ten (10) days of an oral ruling which the Magistrate Judge indicates
will not be followed by a written ruling, or within ten (10) days of service upon
him/her of a written ruling any party may file and serve a motion for review and
reconsideration before this Court, specifically designating the portions of the
decision objected to and specifying wherein such portions of the decision are
clearly erroneous of contrary to law, with points and authorities in support thereof.
A copy of the moving papers and responses, etc., shall be delivered to the
Magistrate Judge's clerk for review upon the filing of said documents.

9 5. EX PARTE APPLICATIONS: Ex parte applications are considered on 10 the papers and are not set for hearing. Counsel are advised to file and serve their 11 ex parte applications as soon as they realize that extraordinary relief is necessary. 12 Counsel are advised that this Court allows ex parte applications solely for extraordinary relief. Sanctions may be imposed for misuse of ex parte applications. 13 14 See In Re: Intermagnetics America, Inc., 101 Bankr. 191 (C.D. Cal. 1989). The 15 requesting party shall notify the responding party that opposing papers must be 16 filed not later than 3:00 p.m. on the first business day succeeding the day the ex parte was <u>served</u>. If counsel are not going to oppose the ex parte application, they 17 must inform the clerk at (213)894-2881. Counsel will be notified by the clerk of 18 the Court's ruling. 19

6. TRIAL PREPARATION: This Court strives to set trial dates as early as
possible and does not approve of unnecessarily protracted discovery. This Court
issues an "Order Re: Trial Preparation" upon the setting of a trial date.

7. CONTINUANCES: Continuances are granted only upon a showing of
good cause, particularly focusing upon evidence of diligent work by the party
seeking delay and of prejudice that may result from the denial of a continuance.
Counsel requesting a continuance MUST submit a <u>detailed</u> declaration as to the
reason. Any continuances requested not accompanied by said declaration will be
rejected without notice to the parties. The Court sets <u>firm</u> trial dates and will not

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1 change them without good cause having been shown.

8. STIPULATIONS: NO stipulations extending scheduling dates set by this
 Court are effective unless approved by this Court. All stipulations must be
 accompanied by a <u>detailed</u> declaration explaining the reason for the stipulation.
 Any stipulation not in compliance with this Order or the Local Rules of the Central
 District will automatically be rejected without notice to the parties. Stipulations
 shall be submitted well in advance of the relief requested. Counsel wishing to
 know whether or not a stipulation has been signed shall comply with Local Rule
 11-4.5.

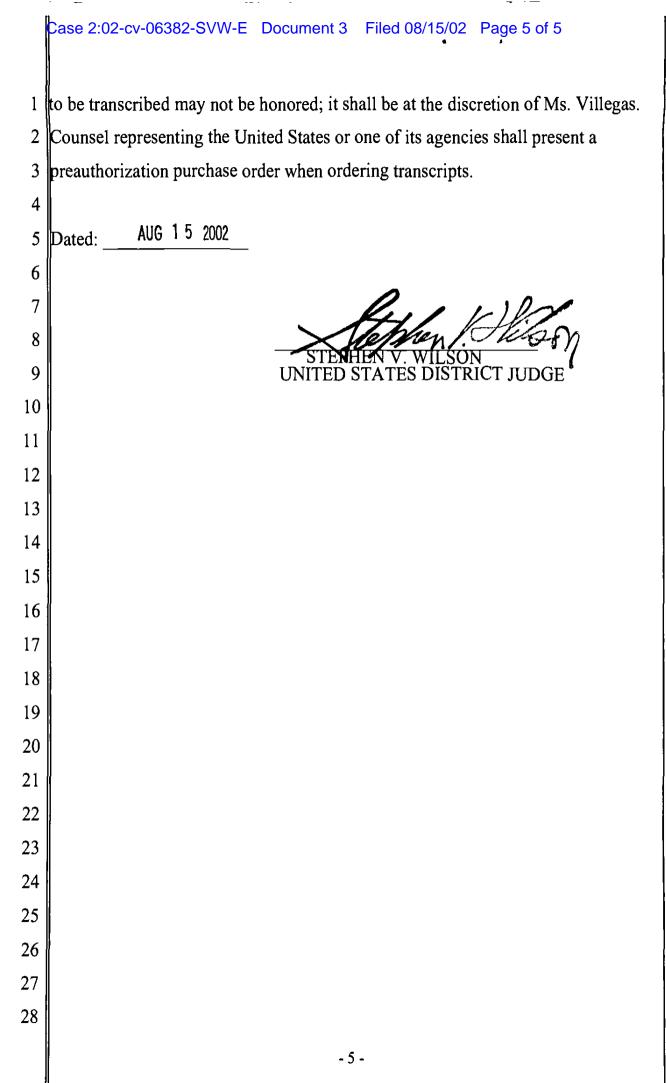
9. NOTICE: Counsel for plaintiff, or plaintiff, if appearing on his or her
 own behalf, is required to promptly give notice of these requirements to the
 opposing parties or their counsel. If this case came to this Court via a Petition for
 Removal, this burden falls to the removing defendant.

14 10. NOTICE OF REMOVAL: Any answers filed in state court<u>must</u> be re15 filed in this Court as a supplement or exhibit to the Notice. If an answer has not, as
16 yet, been filed, said answer or responsive pleading shall be filed in accordance with
17 the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and the Local Rules of the Central District.
18 Any pending motions must be re-noticed according to Local Rule 7-4.

19 11. BANKRUPTCY APPEALS: Counsel shall comply with the ORDER
 20 RE PROCEDURE TO BE FOLLOWED IN APPEAL FROM BANKRUPTCY
 21 COURT issued at the time the appeal is filed in the District Court. The matter is
 22 considered submitted upon the filing of the appellant's reply brief. No oral
 23 argument is held unless by order of this Court.

12. TRANSCRIPTS: Requests for transcripts shall be made in writing to:
Lena Villegas, U.S. Courthouse, 312 N. Spring St., 4th Fl., Los Angeles, CA 90012.
Ms. Villegas telephone number is (213) 680-1265. Arrangements for daily
transcripts shall be made not later than five (5) days prior to the hearing or trial to
be transcribed. Requests for daily transcripts made on the day of the hearing/trial

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