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IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,) .	
Plaintiff-Appellee,)	
v.) No. 02-16335	
MARIN ALLIANCE FOR MEDICAL MARIJUANA and LYNETTE SHAW,)))	RECEIVED NOV 25 2002
Defendants-Appellants.)	APC
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,	·	
Plaintiff-Appellee,	}	
v.	No. 02-16534	
OAKLAND CANNABIS BUYERS' COOPERATIVE and JEFFREY JONES,)	
Defendants-Appellants.)	
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)	
Plaintiff-Appellee,)	
v .) No. 02-16715	
UKIAH CANNABIS BUYER'S CLUB, CHERRIE LOVETT, MARVIN LEHRMAN, and MILDRED LEHRMAN,)))	*
Defendants-Appellants.)	•

JOINT MOTION TO CONSOLIDATE APPEALS
AND FOR AMENDMENT OF BRIEFING SCHEDULES

Pursuant to Rules 3(b)(2) and 27(a)(1) of the Federal Rules of Appellate

Procedure, and Rule 27-1 of this Court, the parties in the above-captioned matters
hereby jointly move to consolidate these appeals, and to amend the briefing
schedules in <u>United States v. Marin Alliance for Medical Marijuana, et al.</u>, Appeal
No. 02-16335, and <u>United States v. Ukiah Cannabis Buyer's Club, et al.</u>, Appeal
No. 02-16534, to conform to the briefing scheduled entered in <u>United States v.</u>

Oakland Cannabis Buyers' Cooperative, Appeal No. 02-16715, entered by the
Court on September 4, 2002. The grounds for this joint motion are as follows:

- 1. Rule 3(b)(2) of the Federal Rules of Appellate Procedure provides that when two or more parties are entitled to appeal from a district court judgment or order, and have filed separate timely notices of appeal, "the appeals may be joined or consolidated by the court of appeals." The 1967 Advisory Committee Notes to Rule 3(b) provide that consolidation of appeals is under such circumstances is "encourage[d] * * * whenever feasible."
- 2. The provisions of Rule 3(b)(2) apply in these appeals. Each of the defendants-appellants have noticed appeals from the district court's Judgment:

 Permanent Injunction, entered on June 10, 2002, and from the district court's

 Memorandum and Order, granted May 3, 2002, granting summary judgment in favor of the United States, in the underlying related actions. In addition, each of the

underlying actions from which the defendants-appellants have noticed appeals were consolidated as related actions before the district court (Breyer, J.), on January 22, 1998, pursuant to Local Rule 3-12 of the United States District Court for the Northern District of California.

- 3. Under these circumstances, the parties are in agreement that consolidation of the above-captioned appeals is appropriate under Rule 3(b)(2) of the Federal Rules of Appellate Procedure, is in the interests of justice, and would conserve judicial resources.
- 4. Pursuant to Circuit Advisory Committee Note (6) to Local Rule 27-1 of this Court, the parties also jointly move to amend the briefing schedules in <u>United States</u> v. <u>Marin Alliance for Medical Marijuana</u>, et al., Appeal No. 02-16335, and <u>United States</u> v. <u>Ukiah Cannabis Buyer's Club, et al.</u>, Appeal No. 02-16534, to conform to the briefing scheduled entered in <u>United States</u> v. <u>Oakland Cannabis Buyers' Cooperative</u>, Appeal No. 02-16715, which was entered by the Court on September 4, 2002.

WHEREFORE, for the foregoing reasons, the parties in the above-captioned matters respectfully move the Court to consolidate these appeals, and to amend the briefing amend the briefing schedules in <u>United States</u> v. <u>Marin Alliance for Medical Marijuana, et al.</u>, Appeal No. 02-16335, and <u>United States</u> v. <u>Ukiah Cannabis</u>

Buyer's Club, et al., Appeal No. 02-16534, to conform to the briefing scheduled entered in United States v. Oakland Cannabis Buyers' Cooperative, Appeal No. 02-16715, entered by the Court on September 4, 2002.

Respectfully submitted,

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