## UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS

## CATHY A. CATTERSON, CLERK U.S. COURT OF APPEALS

## FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff - Appellee,

V.

OAKLAND CANNABIS BUYERS' COOPERATIVE, et al.,

Defendants - Appellants.

Nos. 02-16335 02-16534

02-16715

D.C. No. CV-98-00088-CRB Northern District of California,

San Francisco

ORDER

Before: Peter L. Shaw, Appellate Commissioner

The court is in receipt of the parties' joint motion to consolidate appeal nos. 02-16335, 02-16534, and 02-16715. The motion to consolidate is granted.

Appellants' unopposed motion for leave to file an oversized brief is granted with the understanding that the brief will serve as the opening brief for all three appeals. Within 14 days from the date of this order, appellants shall submit the original and 15 copies of the opening brief. The court sua sponte grants the government leave to file an answering brief not to exceed 24,627 words. The answering brief is due 30 days after the date of this order. The optional reply brief is due within 14 days after service of the answering brief.

Court records do not currently reflect that the district court has issued the certificate of record. Appellants shall monitor the issuance of the certificate.

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