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UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS

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FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

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

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

OAKLAND CANNABIS BUYERS' COOPERATIVE; et al.,

Defendants-Appellants.

Nos. 98-16950 98-17044 98-17137

DC# CV-98-88-CRB Northern California

ORDER

Defendants filed three appeals from the district court orders. Appeal no. 98-16950 is defendants' appeal from the district court's October 13, 1998 order modifying the injunction. Appeal no. 98-17044 is defendants' appeal from the district court's September 3, 1998 order denying defendants' motion to dismiss the action. Appeal no. 98-17137 is defendants' appeal from the district court's October 16, 1998 order denying their request to modify the preliminary injunction.

Appellants' unopposed motion to consolidate these three appeals is granted. If the parties have not already done so, within 7 days of this order, the parties shall make arrangements to obtain from the court reporter an official transcripts of proceedings in the district court which will be included in the record on appeal.

98-16950, 98-17044, 98-17137

The opening brief is due January 11, 1999; the answering brief is due February 8, 1999; the optional reply brief is due within 14 days after service of the answering brief.

Appellants shall address the scope of these appeals in their opening brief.

See Fentron Industries, Inc. v. National Shopmen Pension Fund, 674 F.2d 1300, 1304 (9th Cir. 1982).

For the Court

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General Orders/Appendix A