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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

ISAAC RIGGS,
Plaintiff,
v.
R.T.C. GROUNDS, et al.,
Defendants.

Case No. [13-cv-05864-PJH](#)

**ORDER REFERING CASE TO THE
FEDERAL PRO BONO PROJECT AND
STAYING PROCEEDINGS PENDING
APPOINTMENT OF COUNSEL**

Re: Dkt. No. 94

This is a civil rights case filed pro se by a state prisoner. The case was referred for settlement but did not settle; therefore, the case will proceed to trial. The court finds that exceptional circumstances exist to warrant appointment of counsel if one can be found. However, the court has no power to make coercive appointments, and the court can only attempt to locate volunteer counsel. The court understands that the parties are still discussing a possible settlement and they are encouraged to continue discussions.

CONCLUSION

1. The motion to compel (Docket No. 94) is **DENIED**.
2. This case is referred to the Federal Pro Bono Project. The clerk shall forward to the Federal Pro Bono Project: (a) a copy of this order, (b) a copy of the docket sheet, and (c) a copy of the complaint and relevant court orders. When the Federal Pro Bono Project reports that an attorney has been located to represent plaintiff, that attorney will be appointed. In view of the referral this case is **STAYED**.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: February 28, 2017



PHYLLIS J. HAMILTON
United States District Judge