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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

FOR THE DISTRICT OF IDAHO

LIEUTENANT COLONEL VICTOR J. FEHRENBACH,

Plaintiff,

VS.

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE; ROBBERT M. GATES, Secretary of Defense; MICHAEL B. DONLEY, Secretary, Department of the Air Force; LT. GENERAL GLENN SPEARS, Twelfth Air Force Commander; COL. RONALD BUCKLEY, 366 Fighter Wing Commander,

Defendants.

Case No.: CIV 10-402-S-EJL

STIPULATION TO PRESERVE THE STATUS QUO, TO DISMISS PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER AND TO SET BRIEFING SCHEDULE ON MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION

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Plaintiff, Lieutenant Colonel Victor J. Fehrenbach ("Plaintiff"), and Defendants, Department of the Air Force, et. al ("Defendants"), hereby stipulate as follows.

- 1. Plaintiff currently is a lieutenant colonel, serving on active duty in the United States Air Force with the 366th Operations Support Squadron, 366th Fighter Wing stationed at Mountain Home Air Force Base. Defendants represent that neither the Secretary of the Air Force nor his designee (the "MRB") has made a decision whether to discharge or separate Plaintiff from active duty in the Air Force and that neither the Secretary nor his designee will make that decision before August 27, 2010.
- 2. Defendants will notify Plaintiff's lead counsel (by electronic mail and telephone) and the Court the same day that the Secretary of the Air Force or his designee has made a decision whether to discharge Plaintiff. In order to maintain the *status quo* and allow the parties to fully brief Plaintiff's motion for a preliminary injunction, Defendants will not take any steps to execute or process Plaintiff's discharge or separation, to give any effect to a decision to discharge or separate Plaintiff, or to establish any date for the discharge or separation of Plaintiff, for 21 days following such notification.
- 3. In the event that Defendants decide to retain Plaintiff on active duty in the Air Force, Defendants will notify Plaintiff's lead counsel (by electronic mail and telephone) and the Court, and Plaintiff will dismiss his Verified Complaint for Injunctive Relief without prejudice.
- 4. In light of the foregoing, Plaintiff withdraws his Application for a temporary restraining order.

Accordingly, based upon the preceding joint stipulation, the parties respectfully request the following briefing schedule regarding Plaintiff's motion for a preliminary injunction:

Defendants shall serve (by electronic mail) and file their opposition to Plaintiff's motion for preliminary injunction five days after the notification provided for in paragraph 2; and

Plaintiff shall serve (by electronic mail) and file his reply brief five days after receipt of Defendants' opposition.

The parties respectfully request that the Court schedule a hearing on Plaintiff's motion for a preliminary injunction the week following Plaintiff's filing of his reply brief.

Respectfully submitted,	
Dated: <u>8/16/2010</u>	By: /s/ M. Andrew Woodmansee
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Dated: <u>8/16/2010</u>	By: /s/ Joshua E. Gardner JOSHUA E. GARDNER
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on the day of August, 2010, a true and correct copy of the foregoing STIPULATION TO PRESERVE THE STATUS QUO, TO DISMISS PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER AND TO SET BRIEFING SCHEDULE ON MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION was served as follows:

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