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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA/WESTERN DIVISION

16 **KATIE A.**, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

19 **DIANA BONTÁ**, et al.,

Defendants.

Case No.: CV-02-05662 AHM (SHx)

UNLIMITED JURISDICTION

[CLASS ACTION]

~~PROPOSED~~ STIPULATED
ORDER RE FINAL APPROVAL
OF CLASS SETTLEMENT

Honorable A. Howard Matz

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[PROPOSED] STIPULATED ORDER RE FINAL APPROVAL OF CLASS SETTLEMENT

CASE NO. CV-02-05662 AHM (SHx)

1 Based upon the Settlement Agreement between the plaintiffs and defendants Los
2 Angeles County, Los Angeles County Department of Children and Family Services, and
3 Marjorie Kelly, Interim Director of the Los Angeles County Department of Children and
4 Family Services and successor-in-interest to Anita Bock, and upon the evidence and
5 argument presented at the fairness hearing,

6 **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED AS FOLLOWS:**

7 1. This Court has jurisdiction over the claims against defendants Los Angeles
8 County, Los Angeles County Department of Children and Family Services, and Marjorie
9 Kelly, Interim Director of the Los Angeles County Department of Children and Family
10 Services and successor-in-interest to Anita Bock, (hereinafter collectively referred to as
11 "County Defendants") pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331, 1343 and 1367. Venue is proper
12 in this Court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1391(b). The County Defendants need not answer
13 or otherwise respond to the Complaint filed by plaintiffs. This order shall have no effect
14 on any of plaintiffs' claims against defendants Diana Bontá, Director of the California
15 Department of Health Services; and Rita Saenz, Director of the California Department
16 of Social Services.

17 2. This case shall be certified as a class action for purposes of all causes of
18 action in Plaintiffs' Complaint against the County Defendants on behalf of a class of
19 children and young adults who: (a) are in the custody of Los Angeles County
20 Department of Children and Family Services ("DCFS"), or have been referred to or are
21 subject to referral to DCFS; (b) have a behavioral, emotional, or psychiatric impairment;
22 and (c) need individualized mental health services, including but not limited to
23 professionally acceptable assessments, behavioral support and case management
24 services, family support, crisis support, therapeutic foster care, and other medically
25 necessary services in the home or in a home-like setting, to treat or ameliorate their
26 disabilities or impairments. Members of the class include children and young adults
27 living with their parents or relatives or in any of a variety of placements, such as
28 MacLaren's Children Center, group homes or foster homes.

1 3. The Settlement Agreement is fair, reasonable and adequate for members of
2 the class.

3 4. The Court shall retain jurisdiction to enforce the accompanying Settlement
4 Agreement between the parties until the case has been dismissed pursuant to the terms
5 of the Settlement Agreement.

6 *5. The Settlement Agreement shall be construed and implemented
7 according to and consistent with the clarifications the parties orally concurred
8 in and consented to at the July 16, 2003 hearing.*

8 DATED: July 16, 2003

A. Howard Matz
THE HONORABLE A. HOWARD MATZ
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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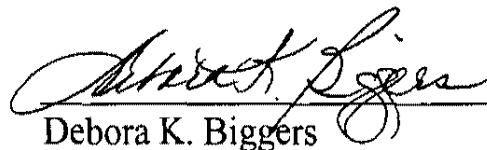
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