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Hi Scott,

Thank you for the courtesy.

Perhaps you should review the controlling case of *Stoner v. Santa Clara County Office of Educ.*, 502 F.3d 1116, 1122-1124 (9th Cir. 2007), in which the Ninth Circuit has already rejected your argument regarding the personal liability of state employees acting within the scope of their official responsibilities and expressed no opinion on the issue of whether the district court was correct in concluding "the individually named defendants could not be sued for damages in their official capacities because such a suit would, in effect, be against the state."

Since this was included in PsychRights' Rule 26(f) Conference Memorandum provided Ms. Kraly this morning and it must not have been transmitted to you, I am (hopefully) attaching it for your consideration.

On 2/22/2010 4:34 PM, Taylor, R Scott (LAW) wrote:

Jim,

Please see the attached letter and enclosure; the State of Alaska would like to give the plaintiff/relator the opportunity to voluntarily dismiss the four state official defendants from this action before incurring the fees and costs of motion practice. Feel free to contact us if you have any questions.

Regards,

-Scott

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