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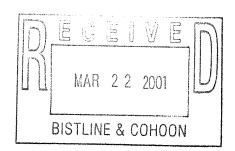
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SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

FOR THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO

10	Coordination Proceedings Special Title (rule 1550(b)),	JCCP NO. 4095	
12	FIREARMS CASES	STIPULATION AND ORDER 1	
13		MANUFACTURING CO., INC.	шт
14	Including actions:))	
15	People, et al. v. Arcadia Machine		2001
16	& Tool, et al.; San Francisco Superior Court No. 303753	Time: 8:30 a.m. Place: Dept. 65 Judge: Vincent P.	
17	People, et al. v. Arcadia Machine & Tool, Inc., et al.; Los Angeles	DiFiglia	
18	Superior Court No. BC 210894))	
19	People, et al. v. Arcadia Machine & Tool, Inc., et al.; Los Angeles		
20	Superior Court No. BC 214794))	
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The undersigned parties in these coordinated cases, by and through their respective counsel, have stipulated and agreed, and the Court therefore orders in these coordinated proceedings, as follows:

1. Defendant Colt's Manufacturing Co., Inc. ("Colt") represents that it has established a collection of potentially relevant documents, organized as they are maintained in the

STIPULATION AND ORDER RE DOCUMENT PRODUCTION BY COLT'S MANUFACTURING CO.,

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ordinary course of business, for review by plaintiffs in all the lawsuits brought against it and other firearm manufacturers by various governmental entities and others ("Colt's Document Depository"). Colt represents that its Document Depository currently contains in excess of 135 boxes of Colt documents and a file-level index. Colt's Document Depository is located at the offices of Shipman & Goodwin, LLP, One American Row, Hartford, Connecticut 06103.

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2. To avoid undue burden and expense, the parties have agreed that Colt shall, at its cost, make one copy of the documents and Colt's electronic file level index of the documents currently contained in its Document Depository, excluding any documents that Colt in good faith believes are privileged or otherwise protected from disclosure, and shall deliver the documents and index to plaintiffs' counsel, Lieff, Cabraser, Heimann & Bernstein, LLP, ("Lieff, Cabraser"). Lieff, Cabraser shall assure that the Colt document collection produced hereunder is maintained by counsel for plaintiffs at a location that insures its security and integrity, and shall take reasonable steps to protect Colt's confidential documents from theft or disclosure, except as permitted by applicable court orders. The parties also have agreed that the documents produced by Colt pursuant to this paragraph, and any supplemental production of documents by Colt, shall be deemed produced in each of the cases listed on the attached Exhibit "A" (hereinafter the "participating jurisdictions"), paragraph 6, infra. The documents produced hereunder shall be used only in connection with the litigation. If Colt is sued in the future by a public entity in any new case(s) with allegations similar to those made in the lawsuits in the participating jurisdictions, and Lieff, Cabraser and/or the Center to Prevent Handgun Violence represent any of the plaintiffs, the undersigned shall use reasonable efforts to have the plaintiffs in those jurisdictions agree to become participating jurisdictions, subject to the applicable terms of this order and agreement. Such reasonable efforts shall not cause or result in waiver of any privilege or protection by Lieff, Cabraser and/or the Center to Prevent Handgun Violence. Colt shall accept without challenge any written representation made by Lieff, Cabraser and/or the Center to Prevent Handgun Violence to Colt that reasonable efforts have been made under this paragraph.

- 3. To avoid undue burden and expense, the parties agree that plaintiffs in these coordinated California cases and in participating jurisdictions shall, at their cost, make one copy of all documents requested by Colt, either individually or jointly with other defendants, and make that copy available for Colt and all other defendants. In no event shall plaintiffs be required, by reason of this agreement, to make more than one copy of any document at their cost.
- 4. In these coordinated California cases, access to Colt's confidential documents shall be governed by the Court's Protective Order (the "California Confidentiality Order"). Access to confidential Colt documents in each of the other participating jurisdictions shall be governed by the confidentiality order applicable in that jurisdiction. In any participating jurisdiction in which a confidentiality order has not been entered, access to Colt's confidential documents shall be governed by the California

Confidentiality Order, but only upon the prior execution of attachment "A" to the California Confidentiality Order by each person seeking and qualified to have access to the documents. When a confidentiality order is entered in a participating jurisdiction, that order shall exclusively govern access to confidential Colt documents in that case.

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- 5. Colt shall produce the documents specified in paragraph 2 above on a rolling basis following its review and designation of confidential documents pursuant to paragraph 4 of the California Confidentiality Order. Such production shall be completed within sixty days of counsel for the parties executing this stipulation.
- Colt shall serve on plaintiffs' counsel 6. coordinated California cases its privilege logs applicable to documents withheld from production into Colt's Document Depository within three weeks of the date Colt completes its production of such documents to Lieff, Cabraser pursuant to paragraph 2 above or within three weeks of any supplemental production of documents by Colt, as applicable. Although the Colt privilege log shall be deemed produced in all participating jurisdictions, Colt reserves the right to modify the privilege logs if and when necessary to meet the requirements of a specific jurisdiction. In these coordinated California cases, plaintiffs may challenge any privilege designation on these logs by motion in the abovecaptioned California Superior Court. Colt reserves all rights to oppose any such challenge. Plaintiffs may not seek or obtain any documents listed on the privilege logs for use in these coordinated California cases, except in accordance with the procedures described herein. Any privileged or protected documents ordered

produced in one participating jurisdiction shall not be deemed produced in any other participating jurisdiction and shall not be required to be produced by Colt in any other participating jurisdiction unless Colt, in writing, expressly agrees to produce such documents in the other participating jurisdiction or the court in such other participating jurisdiction orders Colt to produce such documents.

- Colt also represents that, upon request, it can have 7. available for review at its Document Depository in Hartford, Connecticut, voluminous form and repetitive documents such as purchase orders, shipping documents and design drawings ("Colt's Form Documents"). Colt's Form Documents shall not be produced in accordance with paragraph 2, but shall be made available for inspection and copying by plaintiffs' counsel at the Colt's Document Depository in Hartford, Connecticut, upon written request specifying the particular documents plaintiffs wish to inspect and subject to valid objections and privileges and protections. Where plaintiffs have selected or requested specific Form Documents, and the requests are otherwise non-objectionable, Colt will, at its cost, make available one copy of such documents to Lieff, Cabraser, which documents shall be deemed produced in all participating jurisdictions.
- 8. Any issues arising in these coordinated California cases in connection with Colt's document productions, including issues related to the application of privileges or other protections to documents produced from the Document Depository, shall be resolved by this Court under California law and procedure.

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The parties agree that if plaintiffs in the participating 9. jurisdictions serve on Colt any document production requests or interrogatories which are the same or similar to requests or interrogatories which have been served on Colt in one of the other participating jurisdictions and Colt's responses to the document production requests or interrogatories would be substantially similar to those given in the other participating jurisdiction, Colt may respond by producing a copy of its prior responses to the document production requests or interrogatories in the other participating jurisdiction with a new verification, as applicable, and subject to paragraphs 4 and 6, supra. If plaintiffs in the participating jurisdiction believe that further responses to such interrogatories or requests are required, they shall notify Colt in writing identifying the specific requests or interrogatories which they believe require further response and the basis for their belief that each such response is inadequate. Thereafter, Colt shall, at its election, have the opportunity to supplement or change its responses to the requests or interrogatories. Prior to filing any motion to compel, plaintiffs shall meet and confer with Colt in an effort to resolve any remaining differences with respect to Colt's discovery responses.

10. Colt does not waive any right or argument with respect to the privileged status, relevance, or admissibility of any document plaintiffs may review or obtain as a result of these provisions. In these coordinated California cases, all issues of privilege,

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ORDER

The Court having reviewed the foregoing stipulation of the parties re document production by Colt's Manufacturing Co., Inc., and good cause appearing therefor,

IT IS SO ORDERED.

March 15, 2001

Vincent P. DiFiglia

Dated: February ____, 2001

Vincent P. DiFiglia SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE

1	MUNICIPAL FIREARMS LITIGATION	
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