9 Carol Coghlan Carter, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

12 Kevin Washburn, et al.,

Defendants.

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF ARIZONA

No. CV-15-01259-PHX-NVW

ORDER

Before the Court is the Stipulation for Stay of Defendants' time to respond to the complaint and to response to the Motion for Class Certification. (Doc. 28.) Defendants request a schedule for their response, which will be a motion to dismiss. Plaintiffs disagree with that schedule but suggest nothing in response. In the absence of any proposed schedule from the Plaintiffs, Defendants' schedule will be accepted. The schedule is generous, but it allows ample time for the parties to comply with the meet and confer requirements of the order of July 9, 2015. (Doc. 7.) If Plaintiffs believe they can avoid any of Defendants' challenges with further allegations, they should so amend their complaint. If they do not amend and the motion to dismiss is granted in any part, it will not be necessary to allow a further amended complaint.

Briefing on Plaintiffs' Motion for Class Certification (Doc. 22) need not be delayed until after a motion to dismiss is decided. Class certification is supposed to be decided early. Therefore, the parties will be directed to confer about whether they can

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agree on a briefing schedule. If they cannot, the parties may make a revised submission in which both sides state their proposals. IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Stipulation for Stay (Doc. 28) is granted only to the extent that (1) Defendants' time to file a responsive pleading is extended to October 16, 2015, (2) Plaintiffs' time to respond to Defendants' motions to dismiss is extended to November 13, 2015, and (3) Defendants' time to file replies is extended to December 4, 2015. These times will not be extended. The Stipulation is otherwise denied. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the parties confer about whether they can agree on a briefing schedule in response to Plaintiffs' Motion for Class Certification (Doc. 22) and they may file a further motion, joint or separate, concerning such briefing. Defendants' time to respond to that motion is extended to September 17, 2015, and may be extended again. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Joint Motion for Status Conference (Doc. 28) is denied. Dated this 4th day of September, 2015. United States District Judge