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**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT SPOKANE**

ARLENE’S FLOWERS, INC. d/b/a
ARLENE’S FLOWERS AND GIFTS,
and BARRONELLE STUTZMAN,

Plaintiffs,

v.

ROBERT W. FERGUSON, in his
official capacity as ATTORNEY
GENERAL for the STATE OF
WASHINGTON,

Defendant.

NO. 2:13-cv-05094-RMP

Unopposed and Joint Motion,
and Stipulation to Stay Case

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MOTION

With this motion, the parties jointly and respectively ask the Court to stay this case for the limited time needed for the Benton County Superior Court to decide dispositive motions and hold a trial (if necessary) in proceedings entitled *State of Washington v. Arlene’s Flowers, Inc. et al*, Cause No. 13-2-00871-5. The parties expect the Superior Court proceedings to conclude on or before September 1, 2015.

The parties also ask the Court to set an interim status conference on June 1, 2015 so that the parties can update the Court on the status of the state case. Finally, the parties ask the Court to set a status conference whenever the stay in this case is lifted so that the Court can set new deadlines for dispositive motions and trial.

STIPULATION

1. Plaintiffs are currently involved in a case in state court that involves similar factual issues as this case. *See State of Washington v. Arlene’s Flowers, Inc. et al*, Cause No. 13-2-00871-5. Dispositive motions are currently pending in this state case and a trial is set for this state case in March 2015.

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2. The parties have conferred and agree it best to temporarily stay the case before this Court so that the parties can reasonably attempt to conclude all or most of the proceedings at the superior court level. In so doing, the parties hope to conserve judicial as well as their own resources.
3. The parties also ask the Court to reset the upcoming deadlines for dispositive motions and trial once this Court lifts the stay requested now.
4. The parties finally ask the Court to set an interim telephonic status conference for June 1, 2015 so that the parties can update the Court as to the status of the proceedings in the state case.
5. Based upon the foregoing, the parties request that this Court order these proceedings stayed until September 1, 2015, unless good cause is shown to lift the stay before that time.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on January 8, 2015 I electronically filed the foregoing motion with the Clerk of Court using the CM/ECF system which will send notification of such filing to the following:

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