## UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

## **INSTRUCTIONS for Form 17.** Statement of Related Cases Pursuant to Circuit Rule 28-2.6

- Use Form 17 to identify any known related case pending in this court. Cases are deemed related if they:
  - a) arise out of the same or consolidated cases in the district court or agency,
  - b) raise the same or closely related issues, or
  - c) involve the same transaction or event.
- Attach the statement of related cases to the end of the brief, after the conclusion and before the certificates of compliance and service.
- The statement of related cases is excluded from the brief's length limit calculation.
- You do not have to use Form 17. You may write your own statement instead.

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**Note:** You may use the Microsoft Word version of Form 17 (available at <u>http://www.ca9.uscourts.gov/forms/</u>) to insert into your document.

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