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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

TILIKUM, KATINA, CORKY, KASATKA,

Plaintiffs,

by their Next Friends, People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals, Inc., Richard "Ric" O'Barry, Ingrid N. Visser, Ph.D., Howard Garrett, Samantha Berg, and Carol Ray

VS.

and ULISES, five orcas,

SEAWORLD PARKS &ENTERTAINMENT, INC. And SEAWORLD, LLC.,

Defendants.

CASE NO. 11cv2476 JM(WMC)

ORDER GRANTING IN PART AND **DENYING IN PART APPLICATION** FOR LEAVE TO APPEAR AS AMICUS CURIAE

For good cause shown, the court grants the exparte Application of Center for the Expansion of Fundamental Rights, Inc. ("CEFR") to appear as amicus curiae and instructs the Clerk of Court to file the Application and the brief attached to the Application. The request to present oral argument at the time of the February 6, 2012 hearing is denied because the Memorandum of amicus curiae adequately sets forth its position. Therefore, CEFR's participation at the time of oral argument would not likely be helpful or, alternatively, be cumulative to the arguments raised by the existing parties to this action.

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In sum, the court grants in part and denies in part CEFR's Application. CEFR may appear by means of its supporting Memorandum, but denies its request to present oral argument on February 6, 2012.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED: 10, 2012

cc: All parties

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