2260 N Street, Merced 627 W. 21st Street, Merced 1159 G Street, Los Banos

Monday, March 25, 2024

NOTE: Merced Superior Court will no longer be consolidating Courtroom 8 and Courtroom 10.

Tentative Rulings are provided for the following Courtrooms and assigned Judicial Officers with scheduled civil matters:

Courtroom 8 – Hon. Brian McCabe Courtroom 9 – Judge Pro Tem Peter MacLaren Courtroom 12 – Hon. Jennifer O. Trimble

Courtroom 10 will continue to post separate Probate Notes that are not included in these tentative rulings.

IMPORTANT: Court Reporters will NOT be provided; parties wanting a hearing transcript must make their own arrangements. Electronic recording is available in certain courtrooms and will only be activated upon request.

The specific tentative rulings for specific civil calendars follow:

Civil Law and Motion Hon. Brian McCabe Courtroom 8 627 W. 21st Street, Merced

Monday, March 25, 2024 8:15 a.m.

The following tentative rulings shall become the ruling of the court unless a party gives notice of intention to appear as follows:

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- 2. You must give notice to all other parties before 4:00 p.m. of your intent to appear.

Per California Rules of Court, rule 3.1308(a)(1), failure to do both items 1 and 2 will result in no oral argument. *Note*: Notifying Court Call (the court's telephonic appearance provider) of your intent to appear does not satisfy the requirement of notifying the court.

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Case No. Title / Description

20CV-02063 Birdell Henry v. Silverstina Carraway, et al.

Case Management Conference

Appearance required. Parties who wish to appear remotely must contact the clerk of the court at (209) 725-4111 to seek permission and arrange for a remote appearance. Appear to address the status of settlement discussions and whether this 2020 Case should be set for trial in 2025.

20CV-02667 County of Merced v. Alexis Adams Haro, et al.

Review of Case Status

No Appearance Necessary. The Court has reviewed the application and evidence in support of entry of default judgment against Defendants and hereby GRANTS the request for entry of default judgment in the amount of \$18,615.27 plus interest of \$4,194.98, joint and several, in favor of County of Merced and against Defendants Alexis Yesenia Adams Haro and Miguel Pulido Galvan. Counsel to submit to the court a Judgment consistent with its granted CCP 585 request for the Court to execute and file.

22CV-04217 Arcelia Ochoa v. Marcos Renteria AG Services, Inc.

Case Management Conference

Appearance required. Parties who wish to appear remotely must contact the clerk of the court at (209) 725-4111 to seek permission and arrange for a remote appearance. Appear to address the status of settlement discussions.

Civil Law and Motion Hon. Donald J. Proietti Courtroom 10 627 W. 21st Street, Merced

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Case No. Title / Description

20CV-02493 Animal Legal Defense Fund v. Foster Poultry Farms

Plaintiff's Renewed Motion to Compel Further Discovery Responses

Plaintiff's Renewed Motion to Compel Further Discovery Responses, specifically, requesting production of 11 specific previously documents without redactions, is GRANTED.

This Court does not agree with Defendant's contention that a discoverable document containing relevant evidence that is responsive to a specific discovery request may be redacted to conceal allegedly non-relevant or allegedly non-responsive material contained in that same document.

Once a document is found to contain discoverable information that is responsive to a given request, redaction is only appropriate if a portion of the document contains protected information for which an appropriate objection was made. For example, an admissible business record might be redacted to conceal a social security number or full account number protected by the right of privacy, or referral to privileged information or work product information. Information that is not private, privileged, or work product is not entitled to protection and therefore may not be redacted.

The Discovery Code permits discovery of admissible evidence and information likely to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence. When a document contains some discoverable information, the entire document becomes admissible evidence relevant to the credibility context, and interpretation of the discoverable information contained in that document. While production of documents that contain no discoverable information may prove unduly burdensome and oppressive, discovery of the full content of a document that contains some discoverable information does not present an undue burden because that document will be produced in any case.

Documents frequently address multiple topics. The fact that a document contains information that is responsive to one discovery request does not, absent a claim of privacy, privilege, or work product, justify redaction of information not responsive to that request because, as noted above, the entire content of the document is relevant to the credibility context, and interpretation of the responsive information being produced.

Accordingly, the renewed Motion to Compel unredacted copies of 11 previously produced documents is GRANTED in its entirety.

Mandatory Settlement Conference Hon. Brian McCabe Courtroom 8 627 W. 21st Street, Merced

> Monday, March 25, 2024 9:00 a.m.

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Case No. Title / Description

19CV-04020 Jose Herrera v. Marcelino Razon

Mandatory Settlement Conference

Appearance required. Parties who wish to appear remotely must contact the clerk of the court at (209) 725-4111 to seek permission and arrange for a remote appearance.

Civil Case Management Conferences Hon. Brian McCabe Courtroom 8 627 W. 21st Street, Merced

> Monday, March 25, 2024 10:00 a.m.

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Case No. Title / Description

Appearance required on all matters. Remote appearances are permitted. Parties who wish to appear remotely must contact the clerk of the court at (209) 725-4111 to arrange for a remote appearance.

Ex Parte Matters Hon. Brian McCabe Courtroom 8 627 W. 21st Street, Merced Monday, March 25, 2024 1:15 p.m.

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Case No. Title / Description

There are no Ex Parte Matters Scheduled

Ex Parte Matters Judge Pro Tem Peter MacLaren Courtroom 9 627 W. 21st Street, Merced

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Case No. Title / Description

There are no Ex Parte Matters Scheduled

Ex Parte Matters Hon. Jennifer O. Trimble Courtroom 12 1159 G Street, Merced Monday, March 25, 2024 1:15 p.m.

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Case No. Title / Description

There are no Ex Parte matters scheduled for hearing.

Short Cause Court Trials Hon. Brian McCabe Courtroom 8 627 W. 21st Street, Merced

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IMPORTANT: Court Reporters will NOT be provided; parties wanting a hearing transcript must make their own arrangements.

Case No. Title / Description

23CV-03616-APP Merced School Employees FCU v. Shiwani Pino

Trial De Novo

Appearance required. Parties who wish to appear remotely must contact the clerk of the court at (209) 725-4111 to seek permission and arrange for a remote appearance.

Limited Civil Judge Pro Tem Peter MacLaren Courtroom 9 627 W. 21st Street, Merced

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Case No.	Title / Description

15CV-01462 Kelstin Group, Inc. v. Mathew Martinez

Order of Examination

Appearance required.

23CV-04742 Michael Yaranon v. Taifeek Qudri

Court Trial-Complaint

Appearance required. Remote appearances are permitted. Parties who wish to appear remotely must contact the clerk of the court at (209) 725-4111 arrange for a remote appearance.

Court Trial-Cross-Complaint

Appearance required. Remote appearances are permitted. Parties who wish to appear remotely must contact the clerk of the court at (209) 725-4111 arrange for a remote appearance.

23CV-04670 [Parties' names withheld pursuant to CCP § 1161.2(a)(1)]

Unlawful Detainer Court Trial

Appearance required. Remote appearances are permitted. Parties who wish to appear remotely must contact the clerk of the court at (209) 725-4111 arrange for a remote appearance.

24CV-00354 [Parties' names withheld pursuant to CCP § 1161.2(a)(1)]

Unlawful Detainer Court Trial

Appearance required. Remote appearances are permitted. Parties who wish to appear remotely must contact the clerk of the court at (209) 725-4111 arrange for a remote appearance.

24CV-00624 [Parties' names withheld pursuant to CCP § 1161.2(a)(1)]

Demurrer to Unlawful Detainer Complaint

Appearance required. Remote appearances are permitted. Parties who wish to appear remotely must contact the clerk of the court at (209) 725-4111 arrange for a remote appearance.