SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF MERCED

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

Thursday, October 23, 2025

Tentative rulings are provided for the following courtrooms and assigned Judicial Officers with scheduled civil matters:

Courtroom 8 – Hon. Stephanie L. Jamieson

Courtroom 9 – Commissioner David Foster

Courtroom 12 – Hon. Jennifer O. Trimble

Courtroom 13 – Hon. Ashley Albertoni Sausser

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.

IMPORTANT: Court reporters will NOT be provided; parties must make their own arrangements. Electronic recording is available in certain courtrooms and may only be activated upon request.

The tentative rulings for specific calendars follow:

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
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Civil Law and Motion Tentative Rulings
Hon. Stephanie L. Jamieson
Courtroom 8

627 W. 21st Street, Merced

Date: Thursday, October 23, 2025
8:15 a.m.

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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 CourtCall (the court's telephonic appearance provider) of your intent to appear does not satisfy the requirement of notifying the court.

Case No. Title / Description

17CV-00110 Budina Smith vs Richard Robinson, et al.

Hearing: Remittitur

Appearance required. Appear to select trial dates. Pursuant to the notice sent to counsel by the court on October 10, 2025, this matter has been reassigned for all purposes, including re-trial, to Judge Stephanie L. Jamieson.

22CV-02149 Susana Saldana vs Della Avina Manzo, et al.

Motion to be Relieved as Counsel

The unopposed motion to be relieved as counsel is GRANTED, effective upon service of the written order lodged with the court on October 9, 2025. Counsel is ordered to provide the clerk's office with the most recent contact information for Defendants, including phone number and mailing address. Defendants are to be informed of all upcoming court dates at which they are required to appear personally or through new counsel. Further readiness conference is set November 6, 2025, at 8:15 a.m. in Courtroom 8.

22CV-04212 Dorothy Jimenez vs American Honda Motor Co., Inc.

Order to Show Cause Re: Sanctions (Plaintiff)

Based upon the declaration of Plaintiff's counsel, Rabiya Tirmizi, the Court finds GOOD CAUSE NOT to order sanctions at this time for the failure to appear and provide a status update regarding arbitration on October 2, 2025. The order to show cause is discharged and vacated.

Status Conference: Arbitration

Appearance required. Confirm status of arbitration pursuant to the declaration of Plaintiff's counsel and to set a further status hearing.

23CV-04765 Randy Jones vs Michael Guerrios

Order to Show Cause Re: Sanctions (Plaintiff)

Appearance required. The Court has received and reviewed the declarations of counsel, Vahan Torosian, Esq.

Order to Show Cause Re: Dismissal

Appearance required. The Court has received and reviewed the declarations of counsel, Vahan Torosian, Esq.

Case Management Conference

Appearance required.

24CV-05632 Kaylee Sawyer vs Lea Stevens

Order to Show Cause: Request to Terminate CHRO

Appearance required. There is no proof of service on file showing service of Respondent's request on Petitioner.

25CV-01970 Ashlie Martini vs Amani Byron

Order to Show Cause: Dismissal

Appearance required. Notice of hearing was sent to all parties by the clerk's office.

Request for Order

Appearance required. There is no proof of service on file showing service of Respondent's request to terminate or modify the restraining order on Petitioner.

25CV-02507 Jacob Garcia, et al. vs Soares Dairy Farms, Inc., et al.

Motion for Appointment of Receiver

Plaintiffs' motion for appointment of receiver is DENIED WITHOUT PREJUDICE.

The appointment of a receiver is a drastic remedy to be employed only in exceptional circumstances after a showing of compelling need. (*Hoover v Galbraith* (1972) 7 Cal.3d 519, 528; *IFS Indus. v Stephens* (1984) 159 Cal.App.3d 740, 756.) Moreover, when a less drastic remedy will adequately protect the parties' rights, e.g., a preliminary injunction or a lis pendens, the court should not ordinarily take property out of the hands of its owners by appointing a receiver. (*Hoover v. Galbraith* (1972) 7 Cal.3d 519, 528; *Golden State Glass Corp. v Superior Court* (1939) 13 Cal.2d 384, 393.)

Notwithstanding some disorganization in the financial records of the defendant corporation, Defendant has demonstrated diligence in bringing the books up to date, and said disorganization does not suffice to meet the necessary burden of proof for appointing a receiver. The allegations and evidence as presented to date do not justify the appointment of a receiver, especially in light of other less drastic remedies available to Plaintiffs that can adequately protect their rights.

25CV-05046 Robert Sylvester vs Daryl Petersen

Order to Show Cause Re: Restraining Order

Appearance required. There is no proof of service on file for Respondent.

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
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Limited Civil
Commissioner David Foster
Courtroom 9

627 W. 21st Street, Merced

Date: Thursday, October 23, 2025
10:00 a.m.

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24CV-06286 Accelerated Inventory Management, LLC vs Jorge Medina

Order to Show Cause Re: Dismissal - Notice of Settlement

Appearance required. Appear to address status of settlement.

25CV-03126 [Parties' names withheld pursuant to CCP § 1161.2(a)(1)]

Court Trial: Unlawful Detainer

Appearance required.

25CV-04553 [Parties' names withheld pursuant to CCP § 1161.2(a)(1)]

Court Trial: Unlawful Detainer

Appearance required.

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Restraining Orders
Hon. Ashely Albertoni Sausser
Courtroom 13

1159 G Street, Los Banos

Date: Thursday, October 23, 2025
11:00 a.m.

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Case No. **Title / Description**

25CV-05308 Crystal Honesto vs. Vanessa Sanders

Order to Show Cause Re: Restraining Order

Appearance required.