

**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF MERCED**

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

Tuesday, October 21, 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: Tuesday, October 21, 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
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23CV-01067	Silvia Pimentel vs Sierra-Cascade Nursery, INC
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Motion to Compel Deposition of Sierra-Cascade Nursery, Inc. & For Sanctions

Plaintiff's motion to compel the deposition of Sierra-Cascade Nursery, Inc. and for sanctions is DENIED.

In law and motion practice, factual evidence is supplied to the court by way of declarations. (*Calcor Space Facility, Inc. v. Superior Court* (1997) 53 Cal.App.4th 216, 224.) The court must disregard facts provided in an unverified memorandum of points and authorities, unless supported by reference to evidence presented in declarations or otherwise. (*Smith, Smith & Kring v. Superior Court* (1997) 60 Cal.App.4th 573, 578.)

As the moving party, Plaintiff must present evidence sufficient for the court to determine if Defendant's objection to the deposition was proper.

Despite claiming Plaintiff properly noticed Defendant's deposition for July 23, 2025 (Plaintiff's Memorandum, 5:6), the original and supplemental declarations of Sepideh Ardestani in support of Plaintiff's motion fails to attach any notice of deposition for July 23, 2025.

24CV-00781 Cynthia Grijalva vs Wellpath Recovery Solutions, LLC, et al.

Motion for Setting of CMC & Lifting Stay with Respect to Litigation/ Trial of Claims Against County of Merced

The unopposed motion to lift the stay of proceedings with respect to County of Merced, and to set a case management conference is GRANTED. Case management conference is set for June 22, 2026, at 10 a.m. in Courtroom 8. Plaintiff is to prepare an order for this Court's signature consistent with this ruling within ten (10) days of this hearing.

24CV-06342 Humberto Casarez-Avila, et al. vs Stockton AG Transport, et al.

Motion to Bifurcate

Defendant's motion to bifurcate the trial of plaintiff Josiah Casarex from plaintiffs Humberto Casarez-Avila and Renee Alonzo Corral is GRANTED.

Defendants have shown that in the interest of justice and to avoid undue prejudiced the trial should be bifurcated. (Code of Civ. Proc. §§ 598, 1048, subd. (b).)

24CV-06356 Gerardo Arroyo vs Manuel Villalobos, et al.

Motion for Complete Consolidation of Cases 24CV-06356 & 25CV-01392

The unopposed motion to consolidate 24CV-06356 and 25CV-01392 is GRANTED. The case will proceed under lead case number 24CV-06356 as to all causes of action. The Court will sign the order lodged with the court on September 17, 2025.

25CV-01392 Selena Burquette vs Manuel Villalobos, et al.

Motion for Complete Consolidation of Cases 24CV-06356 & 25CV-01392

The unopposed motion to consolidate 24CV-06356 and 25CV-01392 is GRANTED. The case will proceed under lead case number 24CV-06356 as to all causes of action. The Court will sign the order lodged with the court on September 17, 2025.

25CV-04663 Petition of: Telen Hooper et al

Order to Show Cause Re: Name Change

Appearance required. Appear to address status of proof of publication and service on non-petitioning biological parent.

25CV-04966 Kyle Chun vs Merced County Human Services of Social Services Agency

Ex Parte Motion to Amend Caption to Correct Defendant's Name

Appearance required.

25CV-05071 Zachary Fletcher vs Shannon Simons

Order to Show Cause Re: Restraining Order

Appearance required. Proof of timely service on Respondent was filed October 2, 2025.

25CV-05079 In the Matter of: Inspection of 2981 Chestnut Ave., Merced, CA 95340

Hearing: Other Application for Inspection Warrant and Abatement Order

The application for an inspection warrant and abatement order is GRANTED. The Court will sign the proposed order lodged with the court on September 12, 2025.

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Restraining Orders
Hon. Ashely Albertoni Sausser
Courtroom 13

1159 G Street, Los Banos

Date: Tuesday, October 21, 2025
11:00 a.m.

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25CV-04213	Lorenzo Limon Astello vs. Ricardo Figueroa Salcido, Junior
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Order to Show Cause Re: Restraining Order

Appearance Required.

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Civil Law and Motion
Hon. Ashely Albertoni Sausser
Courtroom 13

1159 G Street, Los Banos

Date: Tuesday, October 21, 2025
1:30 p.m.

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24CV-06113	Patricia Edwards vs. Angela Bell, et al
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Motion to Set Aside Dismissal

Plaintiff's motion to set aside the dismissal is GRANTED.

Plaintiff is ordered to serve the summons and complaint within fifteen (15) days of this court's order.

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25CV-05191	Maria Lemus Gonzalez vs Frank Puerta Parga
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Order to Show Cause Re: Restraining Order

Appearance required.

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Civil Unlawful Detainer
Hon. Ashely Albertoni Sausser
Courtroom 13

1159 G Street, Los Banos

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2:00 p.m.

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25CV-05191	[Parties' names withheld pursuant to CCP § 1161.2(a)(1)]
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Court Trial: Unlawful Detainer

Appearance required.

25CV-04779	[Parties' names withheld pursuant to CCP § 1161.2(a)(1)]
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Court Trial: Unlawful Detainer

Appearance required.
