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Wednesday, October 29, 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

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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:

Civil Law and Motion Tentative Rulings Hon. Stephanie L. Jamieson Courtroom 8

627 W. 21st Street, Merced

Wednesday, October 29, 2025 8:15 a.m.

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### Case No. Title / Description

21CV-00708 Evelyn Estrada, et al. vs Gloria Campbell, et al.

Case Management Conference

Appearance required. Appear to address status of identifying the successor in interest for Gloria Campbell and to address the looming expiration of the 5 year deadline for trial.

22CV-03712 Miguel Campos vs Osvaldo Ibarra, Junior, et al.

Order to Show Cause Re: Dismissal - Notice of Settlement

Appearance required. Appear to address status of settlement noticed on July 14, 2025, for which dismissal was to be filed no later than August 28, 2025, which has yet to occur.

23CV-03359

Paradigm Assets Recovery LLC vs Edythe Stewart

Order to Show Cause Re: Dismissal

Having reviewed the declaration of Adam Kidd, counsel for Plaintiff, filed October 23, 2025, this hearing is CONTINUED ON THE COURT'S OWN MOTION to April 29, 2026, at 8:15 a.m. in Courtroom 8, for further Order to Show Cause re: Dismissal Notice of Settlement. The Court acknowledges that the settlement is expected to be completed in September 2026, and will treat the hearing on April 29, 2026, as a status hearing at which an update from counsel, through appearance or advance declaration, is expected.

23CV-03524

Agustin Granados, et al. vs Jaime Vargas, et al.

Order to Show Cause Re: Dismissal - Notice of Settlement

Appearance required. Appear to address status of settlement noticed on December 31, 2024, for which dismissal was to be filed no later than May 9, 2025, which has yet to occur.

23CV-03845

City of Merced, et al. vs State of California, et al.

Motion to Vacate Trial Date or Continue the Trial for 12 Months

[continued from October 22, 2025; tentative ruling is unchanged]

Defendant California Department of Fish and Wildlife's motion to vacate trial date, or in the alternative, to continue trial for twelve months is DENIED. Defendant has failed to provide an affirmative showing of good cause requiring the continuance. (Cal. Rules of Ct. rule 3.1332.)

24CV-02110

Lam vs Walmart Inc.

Review of Case Status

Appearance required. An Acknowledgement of Receipt of funds for deposit in a blocked account was filed with the court on October 6, 2025. Appear to address any outstanding issues with regard to the settlement.

24CV-06561

Jesus Heredia, et al. vs General Motors, LLC.

Demurrer

DROPPED FROM CALENDAR. Plaintiffs filed a first amended complaint on October 16, 2025, rendering Defendant's motion moot.

Motion to Strike Punitive Damages from Plaintiff's Complaint

DROPPED FROM CALENDAR. Plaintiffs filed a first amended complaint on October 16, 2025, rendering Defendant's motion moot.

Limited Civil Calendar Commissioner David Foster Courtroom 9

627 W. 21st Street, Merced

Wednesday, October 29, 2025 10:00 a.m.

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#### Case No. Title / Description

23CV-04717 CKS Prime Investments, LLC vs. Natasha Parker An Individual

Order to Show Cause Re: Dismissal - Notice of Settlement

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.

On February 15, 2024, plaintiff filed a Notice of Settlement indicating conditional settlement and that a request for dismissal would be filed no later than April 28, 2025. No request for dismissal has been filed. If no party appears to request more time to complete the settlement, the Court will dismiss the case pursuant to rule 3.1385(c)(2) of the California Rules of Court.

24CV-03657 Grassy Sprain Group, Inc. vs. Thomas Glenn

Court Trial: Short Cause

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.

24CV-04925 Santa Clara County Federal Credit Union vs. Rosie Perez

Order to Show Cause re: Monetary Sanctions

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 failure by plaintiff's counsel to appear at the August 8, 2025, case management conference.

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 the case.

25CV-00205 Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. vs. Pablo Carranza

Motion for Summary Judgment

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.

The Court notes that the hearing on this motion was continued on the Court's own motion from September 9, 2025, so that defendant could file with the court a copy of the declaration referred to in his written opposition. Nothing has been filed since the original hearing date.

The motion for summary judgment by plaintiff Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. is GRANTED. Upon consideration of all the evidence set forth in the moving papers, including the declaration of Brendan S. Hogan and defendant's responses to requests for admission, the Court finds that there is no triable issue of material fact and plaintiff is entitled to judgment as a matter of law. Plaintiff filed a separate statement of undisputed material facts, supported by admissible evidence, containing Undisputed Material Facts 1-14 that establish each required element of the causes of action for breach of written contract and breach of an implied in fact contract. This shifts the burden to defendant Pablo Carranza to show the existence of one or more triable issues of material fact. (Code Civ. Proc., § 437c, subd. (p)(1).) Defendant did not submit a separate statement responding to the material facts asserted by the plaintiff and by not providing any evidence in opposition, defendant has failed to meet his burden on this motion.

The Court will sign the proposed order and proposed judgment lodged with the moving papers on May 9, 2025.

The Court vacates the case management conference scheduled for December 12, 2025, at 8:30 a.m. in Courtroom 9.

25CV-01302 Cavalry SPV I, LLC vs. Joe Medina

Order to Show Cause re: Monetary Sanctions

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 failure by plaintiff's counsel to appear at the August 1, 2025, case management conference and failure to file case management conference statement.

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 the case.

25CV-01556 Capital One N.A. vs Joel Perea

Order to Show Cause re: Monetary Sanctions

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Case Management Conference

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25CV-01881 Merco Credit Union vs AAA Recycling LLC, et al.

Motion to Set Aside Entry of Default

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.

The motion by defendant AAA Recycling LLC to set aside the default entered on June 27, 2025, is DENIED. Defendant has not met its burden of showing that it failed to timely respond to the complaint due to mistake, inadvertence, surprise, or excusable neglect. (Code Civ. Proc., § 473, subd. (b).) The proof of service of summons filed by plaintiff on June 27, 2025, indicates that defendant's designated agent for service of process was personally served with the summons and complaint on May 13, 2025. The declaration supporting defendant's motion does not state any specific facts showing that the entry of default was the result of defendant's mistake, inadvertence, surprise, or excusable neglect.

The prevailing party is directed to prepare a written order consistent with the Court's ruling for the Court's signature and to provide notice thereof to the opposing counsel/party as required by law and the rules of court. The order is to be submitted by electronic filing to Commissioner David A. Foster.

25CV-04970 [Parties' names withheld pursuant to CCP § 1161.2(a)(1)]

**Unlawful Detainer Court Trial** 

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.

25CV-04992 [Parties' names withheld pursuant to CCP § 1161.2(a)(1)]

**Unlawful Detainer Court Trial** 

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 Short Cause Trials Commissioner David Foster Courtroom 9

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25CV-00054	Discover Bank vs. Charles V. Brown	
Court Trial		

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.

25CV-00176 Citibank, N.A. vs. Veronica S. Gutierrez

Court Trial

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.

Restraining Order Hon. Paul Lo Courtroom 3

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# Case No. Title / Description

25CV-02136 Julia Hassen vs Gary Schisnewski

Order to Show Cause Re: Restraining Order

Appearance required.