

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF MERCED

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

Tuesday, January 21, 2025

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 calendars:

Courtroom 8 – Hon. Stephanie Jamieson

Courtroom 9 – Commissioner David Foster

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 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 calendars follow:

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF MERCED
Unlimited Civil Law and Motion
Hon. Stephanie Jamieson
Courtroom 8
627 W. 21st Street, Merced

Tuesday, January 21, 2025
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:

1. You must call (209) 725-4111 ext. 2 to notify the court of your intent to appear.
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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20CV-02055	Harold Johnson, Senior, et al. v. Juan Ramirez, et al.
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Demurrer by Defendant, South Dos Palos County Water District

On November 6, 2024, demurrers to Plaintiff's Second Amended Complaint filed by Defendants, Central California Irrigation District, County of Merced, and Midway Community Services District were all sustained with leave to amend. The court ordered a Third Amended Complaint be filed by December 18, 2024, unless the parties agreed to a different date in writing.

Plaintiff filed a Third Amended Complaint on December 18, 2024. On December 20, 2024, Defendant, South Dos Palos County Water District filed the instant demurrer to the Second Amended Complaint asserting five grounds for demurrer that were previously asserted by Defendants, Central California Irrigation District, County of Merced, and Midway Community Services District, in their respective demurrers, and sustained by the court.

The filing of the Third Amended Complaint renders the instant demurrer to the Second Amended Complaint moot and is therefore OVERRULED.

Motion to Strike by Defendant, South Dos Palos County Water District

As noted above, the filing of the Third Amended Complaint on December 18, 2024, rendered moot the instant motion to strike punitive damages, treble damages, penalties, compensatory damages, consequential damages, and prejudgment interest from the Second Amended Complaint. Therefore, the motion to strike is DENIED.

24CV-06106

Petition of: Fermina Ponce

Order to Show Cause re: Name Change

Proof of publication and proof of service on the minor's father having been filed, this petition by one parent to change the name of a minor child will be GRANTED absent cogent objection at the time of the hearing.

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF MERCED

Jury Trials and Long Cause Court Trials
Hon. Stephanie Jamieson
Courtroom 8
627 W. 21st Street, Merced

Tuesday, January 21, 2025
9:00 a.m.

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There are no Jury Trials or Long Cause Court Trials Scheduled

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF MERCED

Ex Parte Matters
Hon. Stephanie Jamieson
Courtroom 8
627 W. 21st Street, Merced

Tuesday, January 21, 2025
1:15 p.m.

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There are no Ex Parte matters scheduled.

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF MERCED

Ex Parte Matters
Commissioner David Foster
Courtroom 9
627 W. 21st Street, Merced

Tuesday, January 21, 2025
1:15 p.m.

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Case No.	Title / Description
24CV-05523	[Parties' names withheld pursuant to CCP § 1161.2(a)(1)]
	Ex Parte Request for an Order Shortening Time for Motion to Set Aside Court Judgment
	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.

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF MERCED

Ex Parte Matters
Hon. Jennifer O. Trimble
Courtroom 12
1159 G Street, Los Banos

Tuesday, January 21, 2025
1:15 p.m.

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
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Civil Law and Motion
Hon. Jennifer O. Trimble
Courtroom 12
1159 G Street, Los Banos

Tuesday, January 21, 2025
1:30 p.m.

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24CV-05889	Petition of Joaquin Abarca
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Petition of Joaquin Abarca

Appearance required. Remote appearances are permitted. Parties who wish to appear remotely must contact the clerk of the court at (209) 725-4124 to arrange for a remote appearance. Appear to address the status of Proof of Publication. Once proof of publication is filed, this Petition by both parents to change the name of their minor child will be granted.

24CV-00453	Sherri Ann Watkins v. American Honda Motor Co., Inc.
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Order to Show Cause re: Dismissal-Notice of Settlement

Appearance required. Remote appearances are permitted. Parties who wish to appear remotely must contact the clerk of the court at (209) 725-4124 to arrange for a remote appearance. Appear to address the status of the Settlement and a reasonable date by which a dismissal can be filed.

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF MERCED

Civil Unlawful Detainers
Hon. Jennifer O. Trimble
Courtroom 12
1159 G Street, Los Banos

Tuesday, January 21, 2025
2:00 p.m.

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