

**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF MERCED**

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

Tuesday, April 15, 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 L. 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.

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The specific tentative rulings for specific calendars follow:

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF MERCED

Unlimited Civil Law and Motion
Hon. Stephanie L. Jamieson
Courtroom 8
627 W. 21st Street, Merced

Tuesday, April 15, 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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Case No.	Title / Description
20CV-02055	Harold Johnson, Senior, et al. v. Juan Ramirez, et al.
	Motion to Dismiss by Defendant St. Louis Canal Company (Code Civ. Proc. § 583.210)
	The unopposed motion to dismiss by defendant, St. Louis Canal Company, for failure to serve the summons and complaint within three years as required by Code of Civil Procedure section 583.210 is GRANTED.
	Demurrer by Defendant St. Louis Canal Company
	The unopposed demurrer is OVERRULED AS MOOT, the matter having been dismissed pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure section 583.210.
	Demurrer by Defendant Midway Community Services District
	On Friday, April 11, 2025, defendant Midway Community Services District filed a notice of demurrer and demurrer to the third amended complaint, with a hearing date of April 15, 2025. No proof of service was attached to the notice or demurrer, nor was a proof of service separately filed with the court.

Demurrers must be filed with adequate notice of hearing as prescribed by Code of Civil Procedure section 1005, subdivision (b). (Cal. Rules of Court, rule 3.1320, subd. (c).) The mere two court days of possible notice provided by defendant falls far short of the mandate that moving papers be filed and served no less than 16 court days before the hearing. (Code Civ. Proc. § 1005, subd. (b).)

Demurrers must also be filed within 30 days of service of the complaint that is the subject of the demurrer (Code Civ. Proc. § 430.40, subd. (a).) The demurrer to the third amended complaint – with a filing date of December 18, 2024 – was filed April 11, 2025.

Accordingly, the demurrer by defendant Midway Community Services District is OVERRULED as untimely, lacking sufficient notice, and without proof of service on the opposition.

22CV-00121 Pandit Sahota, et al. v. Manpreet Rai

Motions in limine

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.

No motions in limine or dispositive pretrial motions have been filed. Two ex parte applications have been filed and will be heard at the time of the hearings set concurrently with the motions in limine.

22CV-00313 Arturo Schulte v. Cortez Growers Assoc.

Order to Show Cause re: Dismissal - Notice of Settlement

CONTINUED on the court's own motion to July 29, 2025. The court has reviewed the declaration of Nathalie Hernandez regarding the disbursement of settlement funds. In the event of a filed request for dismissal, no appearances are required at the future hearing date.

22CV-03621 Armando Diaz v. Sol Rivas, et al.

Readiness 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. Jury trial is set for April 22, 2025.

23CV-03845

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

Motion by Perez-Ramirez Plaintiffs and Glen Plaintiffs for Protective Order Limiting Discovery and for Monetary Sanctions.

On March 25, 2025, this court appointed the Hon. Kevin Culhane as discovery referee. The deadline to respond to the discovery requests that are the subject of this motion is extended 30 days from the statutory or agreed upon response date in order for these issues to be submitted to the discovery referee for resolution.

The request for sanctions is DENIED WITHOUT PREJUDICE to a future motion pending the resolution of the raised issues with the discovery referee.

24CV-01104

LENDR.online, LLC v. Birdie and Sons, Inc., et al.

Order of Examination

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. The Court notes that proof of service of the order of examination on the debtor was filed on February 24, 2025.

25CV-01495

Joanna Tucker v. Deanna Montanez Garcia

Order to Show Cause re: Restraining Order

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. The Court notes that no proof of service on the respondent has been filed.

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

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There are no Ex Parte matters scheduled.

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

Tuesday, April 15, 2025
1:15 p.m.

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

Tuesday, April 15, 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, April 15, 2025
1:30 p.m.

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There are no civil law and motion matters scheduled	
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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
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Civil Unlawful Detainers
Hon. Jennifer O. Trimble
Courtroom 12
1159 G Street, Los Banos

Tuesday, April 15, 2025
2:00 p.m.

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