

Tentative Rulings for October 7, 2025
Department 503

For any matter where an oral argument is requested and any party to the hearing desires a remote appearance, such request must be timely submitted to and approved by the hearing judge. In this department, the remote appearance will be conducted through Zoom. If approved, please provide the department's clerk a correct email address. (CRC 3.672, Fresno Sup.C. Local Rule 1.1.19)

There are no tentative rulings for the following cases. The hearing will go forward on these matters. If a person is under a court order to appear, he/she must do so. Otherwise, parties should appear unless they have notified the court that they will submit the matter without an appearance. (See California Rules of Court, rule 3.1304(c).) *The above rule also applies to cases listed in this "must appear" section.*

23CECG04074 *Johnson v. Santa Maria Property Solutions, LLC*

The court has continued the following cases. The deadlines for opposition and reply papers will remain the same as for the original hearing date.

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Tentative Ruling

Re: ***Jane Doe v. Immanuel Bible School and Academy, et al.***
Superior Court Case No. 22CECG03054

Hearing Date: October 7, 2025 (Dept. 503)

Motion: by Defendant for Attorney Fees

Tentative Ruling:

To deny without prejudice.

Explanation:

Defendant and Cross-Complainant Craig Jacobson moves the court for an award of attorney fees and expenses pursuant to Labor Code section 2802 against Defendant and Cross-Defendant Immanuel Bible School and Academy ("Immanuel"). In support of the motion defendant argues he tendered his defense to Immanuel and the tender was rejected, plaintiff Jane Doe failed to prove her claims of sexual abuse against him, and he is now entitled to payment of his attorney fees required to defend against plaintiff's claims. Defendant's motion is devoid of authority for an award of attorney fees *by motion* pursuant to Labor Code section 2802.

Defendant's claims for violation of Labor Code section 2802 are the subject of the pending cross-complaint against Immanuel. The claims of the cross-complaint have not been adjudicated and the prevailing party has not been determined. The resolution of the plaintiff's claims against defendant by way of a voluntary dismissal does not act to designate defendant the prevailing party with respect to the claims of the cross-complaint.

Pursuant to California Rules of Court, rule 3.1312(a), and Code of Civil Procedure section 1019.5, subdivision (a), no further written order is necessary. The minute order adopting this tentative ruling will serve as the order of the court and service by the clerk will constitute notice of the order.

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Re: ***Richard Flores v. Natalia Camacho***
Court Case No. 23CECG03213

Hearing Date: October 7, 2025 (Dept. 503)

Motion: Petition to Compromise Minor's Claim

Tentative Ruling:

To grant. The Court intends to sign the proposed orders. No appearances necessary.

The Court sets a status conference for Thursday, November 6, 2025 at 3:30 p.m. in Department 503, for confirmation of deposit of the minor's funds into the blocked account. If Petitioner files the Acknowledgement of Receipt of Order and Funds for Deposit in Blocked Account (MC-356) at least five court days before the hearing, the status conference will come off calendar.

Pursuant to California Rules of Court, Rule 3.1312 and Code of Civil Procedure section 1019.5, subdivision (a), no further written order is necessary. The minute order adopting this tentative ruling will serve as the order of the court and service by the clerk will constitute notice of the order.

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