

TENTATIVE RULINGS: CIVIL LAW & MOTION

Friday, February 21, 2025 at **8:30 a.m.**

Courtroom 18 – Hon. Kenneth G. English

Civil and Family Law Courthouse

3055 Cleveland Avenue

Santa Rosa, California 95403

The tentative rulings will become the ruling of the Court unless a party desires to be heard. If you desire to appear and present oral argument, **YOU MUST NOTIFY** the Judge’s Judicial Assistant by telephone at **(707) 521-6604**, and all other opposing parties of your intent to appear, **and whether that appearance is in person or via Zoom**, no later 4:00 p.m. the court day immediately preceding the day of the hearing.

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1. **SCV-268365, Mogalian v. Addington: Parties’ Stipulation to Continue Trial and the Court’s November 6, 2024 Order**

APPEARANCES REQUIRED.

2. **24CV02963, Loney v. Sauteuse, LLC: Plaintiff’s Motion to Compel Answers to Post-Judgment Discovery and Sanctions**

The unopposed motion is **GRANTED** and sanctions are awarded as to the \$60.00 cost of filing. Defendants shall provide complete, objection-free verified responses to Plaintiff, produce requested documents, and pay \$60.00 in sanctions within 30 days of service of the notice of entry of order.

Plaintiff Gary Looney (“Plaintiff”) moves to compel Defendants Sauteuse, LLC (doing business as Flavor) and Charles F. Downing (as personal guarantor of Sauteuse, LLC) (“Defendants”) to provide full and complete responses to Plaintiff’s first set of post-judgment interrogatories and Plaintiff’s demand for production of documents and tangible things.

Plaintiff served post-judgment interrogatories and demands for production of documents on Defendants on October 14, 2024. (Looney Declaration, ¶ 1.) Defendants did not respond to the discovery requests, did not request any extensions, and did not acknowledge Plaintiff’s efforts to meet and confer regarding the discovery. (Looney Declaration, ¶¶ 2–4.) Plaintiff notified Defendants of intent to file this motion to compel. (Looney Declaration, Exhibit B.) Defendants have not been examined by Plaintiff or the judgment creditor or responded to any other discovery within 120 days before the motion was filed. (Looney Declaration, ¶ 5.)

Based on the foregoing, Plaintiff’s motion is **GRANTED** and sanctions are awarded in the amount of \$60.00 for filing costs. Defendants shall serve complete, objection-free verified responses to Plaintiff and pay \$60.00 in sanctions within 30 days of service of the notice of entry of order. Plaintiff shall submit a written order to the Court consistent with this tentative ruling and in compliance with Rule of Court 3.1312(a) and (b).

*****This is the end of the Tentative Rulings*****