



Superior Court of California
County of Mendocino

Civil Law & Motion or Probate Tentative Ruling for the following:

Case Name: CHRISTOS, THEODORE VS UNSWORTH,
GEORGE, TANIELIAN, SEVANA N.
Case Number: 23CV00683
Hearing Date: 10/31/2025

Prior to a Civil Law & Motion or Probate hearing, the Court may issue a tentative ruling (CRC 3.1308). After reviewing the issued tentative ruling, a party may request to present oral argument and must notify both opposing parties and the Court no later than 4:00 p.m. on the court day before the hearing of their intent to appear. Notice to the Court should be sent by e-mail to tr@mendocino.courts.ca.gov. The tentative ruling will become the ruling of the Court if oral argument has not been requested timely. The prevailing party must prepare and submit a proposed order unless an order that is consistent with the tentative decision has been previously lodged (Local Rule 2.6).

Tentative Ruling is as Follows:

1. Defendant's Motion to Compel Further Responses to Special Interrogatories 15 & 23 and Request for Monetary Sanctions
2. Defendant's Motion to Compel Further Responses to Form Interrogatories 2.8, 2.11, 3.3, 3.6, 8.2, 8.3, 8.4, 11.2, 12.1 and 50.1(b-f) with request for monetary sanctions.
3. Defendant's Motion to Compel Responses to Defendant's Request for Production of Documents (No 1-35.) and request for monetary sanctions

The Court has reviewed the moving papers with each separate statement, each declaration of defendant's counsel

Plaintiff filed an opposition only to the motion to compel responses to requests for production of documents which the court has reviewed as well. It was not supported by any declaration or separate statement of facts.

The Court has also reviewed the reply memoranda filed by defendant

TENTATIVE RULING: Grant each motion and award sanctions as requested including the request for monetary sanctions in the reply memoranda. Defendant is ordered to respond to form interrogatories and special interrogatories 15 & 23 without objection by 5pm on November 21, 2025.

4) Plaintiff's Motion for a Protective Order
The Court has reviewed the moving papers and the opposition.



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TENTATIVE RULING:

The motion is denied. There is an inadequate showing of a meet and confer effort. (See CCP §2016.040)

Service of the motion is obviously defective on its face.

The Court intends to vacate the Case Management Conference and re-set it for January 23, 2026 at 11am