



Superior Court of California
County of Mendocino

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

Case Name: CASPINO, DAVID VS GRIFFIN, AARON,DAMIAN,
LILIANA,MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEM,
INC.

Case Number: 25CV01813

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:

Plaintiff Caspino's motion to bi-furcate the cross-complaint from the complaint and stay discovery on the cross complaint pending resolution of the misdemeanor case against Caspino.

TENTATIVE RULING: The court has reviewed the moving papers with the declaration of counsel, the opposition with the declaration of counsel (and exhibits) and the reply. The motion to bifurcate is denied. The motion to stay discovery is denied because the motion lacks specificity as to the precise discovery requests that would trigger the invocation of the privilege. Finally, the alternative request for relief is not in conformity with the law without a far more detailed showing as to which discovery requests call for invocation of the privilege. The court also notes that the time to respond to various discovery requests at issue appears to have expired rendering the current request moot.

The case management conference/trial setting is continued to January 9, 2026 at 11am