



# Superior Court of California County of San Benito

## Tentative Decisions for May 12, 2025

**Courtroom #1: Judge J. Omar Rodriguez**

**CU-24-00101      Avila v. General Motors, LLC**

Plaintiff's Motion to Compel supplement responses and documents in response to Requests for Production of Documents, Set One, Requests Numbered 16, 19, 20, 21, 22, 25 26 and 27 is DENIED.

Defendant provided supplemental responses, specifically identifying and directing Plaintiff to bates numbered ranges of documents which correspond to the production requests. Defendant's responses state that Defendant produced documents in their possession, custody, and control which are responsive to the requests and in compliance with Code of Civil Procedure section 2030.230. The Parties dispute whether internal investigation documents were produced as to Requests Numbered 16, 19, 20 and 21. Plaintiff argues that the TSBs provided do not appear to pertain to the same year model vehicle as the Subject Vehicle and that one document was issued on January 26, 2022, and does not include the Subject Vehicle, which is a 2023 vehicle. (Plaintiff's Motion 4:22-28.) Moreover, there were some documents that seem to apply to either the Transmission Defect or Brake System Defect, but Defendant did not provide any internal investigation documents or root cause analysis documents. (*Id.* 5:2-9.)

While it appears that Plaintiff's suspicions that additional documents may exist are reasonable, there is insufficient evidence that Defendant failed to produce sufficient evidence of that concern. Here, it appears that Defendant supplemented the responses are a code

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compliant manner, having attested that they have produced all documents in their care custody and control responsive to the request, Defendant also produced additional documents which were identified in a manner that they may be connected to specific discovery requests and responses to those requests.

According to the declarations filed herein it appears that the parties dispute whether internal investigation documents were produced as part of the further responses to 16, 19, 20, and 21. Defendant objected to the definitions of the terms “internal analysis” and “investigation” as vague and it is not clear whether Defendant failed to produce any other documents within its possession that it was required to produce. Defendant asserts that they have indeed provided such documents, and there appears to be no reason to discredit this statement. (Gruszecki Dec. ¶3, 4.) Thus, it appears that the Defendants have complied with this court’s order of November 20, 2024.

**CU-25-00005                      BMO Bank N.A. vs. M&G Hauling, Inc, et al.**

Based on Plaintiff’s Case Management Conference Statement, the Case Management Conference is continued to August 11, 2025 at 10:30 a.m.

**CU-25-00039                      Uribe vs. San Benito County Sheriff’s Office, et al.**

This judge has determined himself to be disqualified from the case pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure section 170.1 in that there . The assigned judge has known Plaintiff since at least junior high, has worked with Plaintiff while he was employed at the Sheriff’s Department while this judge worked as a deputy district attorney and, more recently, as the Presiding Judge of this Court while Plaintiff supervised court security of this courthouse. The Case Management Conference and Setting of the Motion to Strike are scheduled to take place on Friday May 16, 2025 at 11:00 a.m. in Department 3.

**PR-18-00030                      In Re Conservatorship Of: Maria Berta Lara de Hernandez**

The Court has read and considered the Biennial Review Report. The conservatorship shall remain in place. No appearances are necessary at the next hearing.

The Court will schedule a review hearing to take place in two years. The Court will provide notice of the next hearing.

**PR-24-00109**                    **Estate of James Chris Peters**

Based on the recent activity in the case and proposed action, the matter is continued to October 6, 2025 at 10:30 a.m. for further Status Conference.

**PR-25-00017**                    **In the Matter of Daniel R. Carrillo**

In light of the Court's order that was signed ex parte, the May 12<sup>th</sup> hearing is vacated. No appearances are necessary.

**PR-25-00023**                    **In the Matter of William Paul Saporito**

The Petition is APPROVED as requested. Bond is waived. Lucia Areias is appointed as referee. Full authority is granted to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. Petitioner is to file an Inventory and Appraisal within four months of issuance of letters (Prob. Code section 8800(b)) and either a petition for an order for final distribution of the estate or a report of status of administration within the timeframe set out in Probate Code section 12200.

The matter is set for hearing on November 17, 2025 at 10:30 a.m. for status of estate or final account and distribution. No appearances at the hearing will be required if the court determines that administration of the estate is timely proceeding, or good cause is shown why more time is required.

**PR-25-00025**                    **In the Matter of Collette Cassidy**

The Petition is APPROVED as requested.

**END OF TENTATIVE DECISIONS**