

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Civil Division

Central District, Stanley Mosk Courthouse, Department 36

19STCV12592

WILLIAM JAMES MITCHELL vs TWIN GALEXIES, LLC

December 1, 2023

8:30 AM

Judge: Honorable Wendy Chang
Judicial Assistant: A. Rodriguez
Courtroom Assistant: A. Aguilar

CSR: None
ERM: None
Deputy Sheriff: None

APPEARANCES:

For Plaintiff(s): Anthony J. Ellrod and Kristina Ross; James Edwin Gibbons via LACC

For Defendant(s): David Ali Tashroudian

Other Appearance Notes: Robert Cohen via LACC for Walter Day

NATURE OF PROCEEDINGS: Hearing on Motion to Disqualify Counsel; Order to Show Cause Re: Why the Court Should not Extend the Protective Order as to all Discovery; Hearing on Motion for Sanctions; Informal Discovery Conference (IDC)

The matter is called for hearing.

The Court has read and considered the moving papers, opposition and evidence.

The Court gives its oral tentative ruling and hears argument from counsel.

After consideration of all documents filed and oral argument, the Court adopts the tentative as the order of the Court as follows:

On the Court's own motion, the Hearing on Motion to Seal Motion To Seal Re Defendant's Lodgment On November 1, 2023 Re Defendant's Motion For Issue Sanctions scheduled for 02/29/2024 is advanced to this date and heard.

The Motion to Seal RE DEFENDANT'S LODGMENT ON NOVEMBER 1, 2023 RE DEFENDANT'S MOTION FOR ISSUE SANCTIONS filed by William James Mitchell on 11/13/2023 is Granted.

The Motion to Disqualify Counsel filed by William James Mitchell on 10/24/2023 is Denied. without prejudice.

Order to Show Cause Re: Re: Potential Disciplinary Referral of Defense Counsel for Violations Of The Rules Of Professional Conduct is scheduled for 01/11/2024 at 08:30 AM in Department 36 at Stanley Mosk Courthouse.

Final Status Conference is continued to 04/17/2024 at 08:30 AM in Department 36 at Stanley

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Jury Trial (10 days) is continued to 04/26/2024 at 08:30 AM in Department 36 at Stanley Mosk Courthouse.

All discovery and trial related cutoff dates will be based on the new trial date.

The following rulings are signed and filed this date:

Ruling Re:

1. Plaintiff's Motion to Seal
2. Plaintiff's Request for Judicial Notice
3. OSC Why: Court Should Not Extend Protective Order as To All Discovery
4. Defendant Twin Galaxies' Motion for Issue Sanctions
5. Informal Discovery Conference

Ruling Re:

Plaintiff's Motion to Disqualify Defendant's Counsel
Notice Of OSC Re: Potential Disciplinary Referral for Further Violations Of The Rules Of Professional Conduct

Clerk is to give notice.

Certificate of Mailing is attached.