

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA  
COUNTY OF VENTURA

**Tentative Ruling**

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**2024CUBC031359: ANDREW W DILLON vs FCA US LLC**  
**04/15/2026 in Department 44**  
**Motion to be Relieved as Counsel**

Effective **January 5, 2026**, Judge Charmaine H. Buehner and all cases previously assigned to Department J4 at the Juvenile Justice Center in Oxnard transferred to Department 44, located at the Hall of Justice, 800 South Victoria Avenue, Ventura, California 93009.

**Department Rules.** Parties and counsel shall follow the Department 44 rules and Zoom protocols, available at <https://www2.ventura.courts.ca.gov/Courtroom/C44>.

**Remote Appearances.** The Court allows Zoom appearances as a courtesy to parties and counsel. The Court does not accommodate Court Call appearances. **You MUST register by 4:00 p.m. the court day before your hearing or you will be DENIED entry to the hearing:**

**ZOOM Registration Link:**

<https://ventura-courts-ca.zoom.us/meeting/register/iqN7uhQSQMuoQs-9TQXgEQ>

No advance notice is required to appear in person.

**Tentative Rulings.** Oral argument should address the tentative decision. To submit on the tentative decision, email [courtroom44@ventura.courts.ca.gov](mailto:courtroom44@ventura.courts.ca.gov) before 8:00 a.m. on the hearing date, copying all other parties, Use the subject line “SUBMISSION ON TENTATIVE”, [Case Number], [Case Title] and [Party]. If not all parties submit, the hearing will proceed, and the tentative ruling may change.

The Court may adopt, modify or reject the tentative ruling after hearing. The tentative ruling has no legal effect unless and until adopted by the Court.

**Motion:** Strategic Legal Practices, APC’s Motion to Be Relieved As Counsel For Plaintiff Andrew Dillon

**Tentative Ruling:**

Strategic Legal Practices, APC’s Motion to Be Relieved As Counsel For Plaintiff Andrew Dillon is denied without prejudice. Moving Law Firm has not filed any documents to establish service of the moving papers on Plaintiff. Hence, service is defective. (Cal. Rules of Court, rule 3.1362, subs. (a), (c), (e).) The Court also notes that the wrong department is listed on all filed documents; Dept. J4 instead of 44.

Strategic Legal Practices, APC is ordered to give notice of the Court’s ruling.