

LAW & MOTION TENTATIVE RULINGS
DEPARTMENT 12
APRIL 30, 2025
8:30 a.m.

1. ASHLEY SUZANNE JOHNSON V. BRANDON LEE JOHNSON

25FL0237

This matter is before the court on the Petitioner's Request for Order (RFO) filed on April 02, 2025. The RFO included a request for Temporary Emergency Orders which the court granted pending the hearing. The RFO requests orders for Custody and Visitation and Child Support. Petitioner filed an Income and Expense Declaration on April 01, 2025. The RFO, I&E and other documents were personally served on the Respondent on April 05, 2025, according to the Proof of Service filed on April 09, 2025. There is no Responsive Declaration filed by the Respondent.

Because the RFO raises Custody/Visitation as an issue the court referred the parties to CCRC with an appointment set for April 15, 2025, at 9:00 am. Only the Petitioner attended the CCRC session for which reason the CCRC counsellor could not make any recommendation. A CCRC "One Parent" report was submitted to the court on April 16, 2025, and copies were mailed to the parties that same date per the Clerk's Certificate of Mailing also filed on April 16, 2025.

Respondent filed a request to appear remotely "throughout the case" on April 11, 2025. The Court struck from the Order on Respondent's request the appearance for CCRC as the correct form (Local Form F-102) was not used for requesting a remote appearance for CCRC.

The parties are ordered to appear for hearing to reset CCRC and a future hearing as well as to determine an interim Custody/Visitation order and interim Child Support order.

TENTATIVE RULING #1: THE PARTIES ARE ORDERED TO APPEAR.

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2. KIMBERLY STOVALL V. DEONTA BROWN

SFL20140098

This matter is before the court on the Petitioner's Request for Order (RFO) filed February 24, 2025, to modify visitation. That same day, the court referred the parties to a CCRC session scheduled for March 17, 2025.

There is no proof of service for the RFO in the court's file. Respondent did not file a responsive declaration.

The court received a report from the CCRC counsellor dated March 17, 2025, which states that only the Petitioner attended the CCRC session, for which reason the CCRC counsellor could not make a recommendation to the court. A copy of the CCRC report was sent to both parties on March 25, 2025.

TENTATIVE RULING #2: GIVEN THE LACK OF PROOF OF SERVICE, PETITIONER'S APPEARANCE IS REQUIRED AT 8:30 A.M., WEDNESDAY, APRIL 30, 2025, IN DEPARTMENT 12 TO CONFIRM WHETHER SHE WISHES TO PROCEED WITH THE REQUEST FOR ORDER AND MAKE FURTHER ORDERS AS APPROPRIATE.

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3. KELSEY MCPARLAND V. PATRICK MCPARLAND

24FL0881

On April 07, 2025, Respondent filed a Request for Trial Setting Conference. The issues to be addressed at trial are (1) the Petitioner's request for judgment of nullity, (2) spousal support, and (3) attorney fees.

Both parties filed proof of service for their respective preliminary and/or final declaration of disclosure.

The parties are ordered to appear to select trial and mandatory settlement conference dates.

**TENTATIVE RULING #3: APPEARANCES ARE REQUIRED AT 8:30 A.M.,
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 30, 2025, IN DEPARTMENT 12 TO SELECT TRIAL AND MANDATORY
SETTLEMENT CONFERENCE DATES.**

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4. STEPHANIE MANSELL V. LES MANSELL

24FL0859

This matter is before the court on the Petitioner's Request for Order (RFO) filed February 26, 2025. The RFO requests orders for Custody and Visitation of the parties' two children EM (age 13) and JM (age 12), Child Support, and Allocation of Expenses for healthcare and extracurricular activities. The Petitioner filed an Income and Expense Declaration along with her RFO. A Proof of Service filed March 10, 2025 shows service of Petitioner's filings by mail on the Respondent's attorney of record on February 27, 2025.

There is no Responsive Declaration from the Respondent, though he did file an Income and Expense Declaration on April 18, 2025. There is no Proof of Service filed for Respondent's I&E.

The request for custody and visitation orders prompted a CCRC referral with the session set for March 20, 2025. The Respondent did not attend the CCRC session. The CCRC counsellor submitted a One-Parent report on March 25, 2025, copies of which were sent to the parties per the Clerk's Certificate of Mailing filed, also, on March 25, 2025.

The Court re-refers the parties to CCRC on May 15, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. and sets this matter for hearing on July 2, 2025, at 8:30 am.

The court does not believe that the Respondent's failure to attend the CCRC session should serve as a basis to delay child support. Doing so would not be in the parties' children's best interests. Therefore, pending the hearing, the court makes an interim Child Support order based on the information contained in the I&Es filed by the parties. The attached XSpouse calculation utilizes the factors found by the court. Respondent is ordered to pay Child Support to the Petitioner in the amount of \$1,173 per month beginning March 01, 2025, and the first of each month thereafter. Arrears created by the retroactive start date of Child Support shall be paid by the Respondent at the rate of \$327 per month beginning June 01, 2025, and the first day of each month thereafter until paid in full. The Court reserves jurisdiction to modify this order and to order any changes retroactive to time of filing.

TENTATIVE RULING #4: THE COURT RE-REFERS THE PARTIES TO CCRC ON MAY 15, 2025, AT 9:00 A.M. THE PARTIES ARE DIRECTED TO SUBMIT THE REQUIRED CCRC QUESTIONNAIRE (LOCAL FORM F-17a, WHICH CAN BE DOWNLOADED FROM THE COURT'S WEBSITE OR OBTAINED FROM THE CLERK'S OFFICE) AT LEAST FIVE DAYS PRIOR TO THE NEW CCRC SESSION. THE HEARING ON THE INSTANT REQUEST FOR ORDER IS CONTINUED TO 8:30 A.M., WEDNESDAY, JULY 02, 2025, IN DEPARTMENT 12.

IN THE INTERIM, RESPONDENT IS ORDERED TO PAY CHILD SUPPORT TO THE PETITIONER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,173 PER MONTH BEGINNING MARCH 01, 2025, AND THE FRIST OF EACH MONTH THEREAFTER. ARREARS CREATED BY THE RETROACTIVE START DATE OF CHILD SUPPORT SHALL BE PAID BY THE RESPONDENT

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AT THE RATE OF \$327 PER MONTH BEGINNING JUNE 01, 2025, AND THE FIRST DAY OF EACH MONTH THEREAFTER UNTIL PAID IN FULL. THE COURT RESERVES JURISDICTION TO MODIFY THIS ORDER AND TO ORDER ANY CHANGES RETROACTIVE TO TIME OF FILING.

NO HEARING ON THIS MATTER WILL BE HELD UNLESS A REQUEST FOR ORAL ARGUMENT IS TRANSMITTED ELECTRONICALLY THROUGH THE COURT'S WEBSITE OR BY PHONE CALL TO THE COURT AT (530) 573-3042 BY 4:00 P.M. ON THE DAY THE TENTATIVE RULING IS ISSUED. CAL.RULE CT. 3.1308; LOCAL RULE 8.05.07; SEE ALSO LEWIS V. SUPERIOR COURT, 19 CAL.4TH 1232 (1999). NOTICE TO ALL PARTIES OF A REQUEST FOR ORAL ARGUMENT AND THE GROUNDS UPON WHICH ARGUMENT IS BEING REQUESTED MUST BE MADE BY PHONE CALL OR IN PERSON BY 4:00 P.M. ON THE DAY THE TENTATIVE RULING IS ISSUED. CAL.RULE CT. 3.1308; LOCAL RULE 8.05.07.

Fixed Shares	Father	Mother	Monthly figures		Cash Flow	Guideline	Proposed
#of children	0	2	2025				
% time with NCP	20.00 %	0.00 %					
Filing status	SINGLE	HH/MLA	GUIDELINE		Comb. net spendable	6543	6595
# exemptions	1 *	3 *	Nets(adjusted)		Percent change	0%	1%
Wages+salary	9650	4302	Father	3751	Father		
Self-employed income	0	0	Mother	2791	Payment cost/benefit	-1173	-953
Other taxable income	0	0	Total	6543	Net spendable income	2579	2798
TANF+CS received	0	0	Support		Change from guideline	0	219
Other nontaxable income	0	0	Addons	0	% of combined spendable	39%	42%
New spouse income	0	0	Guideln CS	1173	% of saving over guideline	0%	418%
401(k) employee contrib	0	0	User SS	0	Total taxes	2364	1952
Adjustments to income	0	0	Total	1173	Dep. exemption value	0	0
SS paid prev marriage	0	0	-		# withholding allowances	0	0
CS paid prev marriage	667	1064	Settings changed		Net wage paycheck	6581	6581
Health insurance	1236	236			Mother		
Other medical expense	0	0			Payment cost/benefit	1173	1006
Property tax expense	0	0			Net spendable income	3964	3797
Ded interest expense	0	0	Proposed		Change from guideline	0	-167
Contribution deduction	0	0	Tactic 9		% of combined spendable	61%	58%
Misc tax deductions	0	0	CS	1365	% of saving over guideline	0%	-318%
Qual bus income ded	0	0	SS	0	Total taxes	211	570
Required union dues	220	0	Total	1365	Dep. exemption value	0	0
Mandatory retirement	1412	0			# withholding allowances	0	0
Hardship deduction	0 *	0 *	Saving	53	Net wage paycheck	3518	3518
Other GDL deductions	0	0	Releases	2			
Child care expenses	0	0	Released to Father				

Father pays Guideline CS, Proposed CS

FC 4055 checking: **ON**

Per Child Information									
	Timeshare	cce(F)	cce(M)	Addons	Payor	Basic CS	Payor	Pres CS	Payor
All children	20 - 80	0	0	0	Father	1173	Father	1173	Father
	20 - 80	0	0	0	Father	424	Father	424	Father
	20 - 80	0	0	0	Father	749	Father	749	Father