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10 **SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

11 **COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CENTRAL DISTRICT**

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 13 RAUL GUTIERREZ, JASON HERRERA,
 DANIEL PARRA, PAUL PERKINS,
 14 JEFFREY ZENTNER, SHIRRANE
 FRANKLIN, YVONNE BOWEN,
 15 GRISELDA RAMIREZ, CHESTRINA
 GILLIAM, and JUAN GONTES, individuals,
 16 on behalf of themselves and all others
 similarly situated,

17 Plaintiffs,

18 v.

19 LOS ANGELES COUNTY PROBATION
 20 DEPARTMENT, a division of the County of
 Los Angeles; and DOES 1 through 100,

21 Defendants.
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23 AND ALL RELATED CASES.
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Case No. 24STCV06193 (Gutierrez – Lead)
Case No. 24STCV20182 (Franklin)
Case No. 25STCV37272 (Tipler)
Case No. 25STCV36419 (Bray)
[And All Related Cases]

NOTICE OF ENTRY OF ORDER

Assigned for All Purposes to:
 Hon. Elihu M. Berle, Dept. SS-6

Action Filed: March 12, 2024
 Trial Date: None Set

1 **TO ALL PARTIES AND THEIR RESPECTIVE COUNSEL OF RECORD:**

2 **PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that on June 30, 2026, the Court held a hearing regarding the
3 Motion for Class Certification; Order to Show Cause Re: Sanctions Against Counsel for Plaintiff,
4 Including Monetary Sanctions, Removal of Counsel as Potential Class Counsel, and Referral to
5 the State Bar; and Status Conference (the "Hearing"). All parties were represented at the Hearing
6 by their respective counsel of record. The Order to Show Cause and the Motion for Class
7 Certification were heard and argued.

8 **PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE** that on June 30, 2026, after reviewing and
9 considering all moving documents, and arguments of counsel, the Court entered a Minute Order
10 regarding the Hearing (the "Minute Order") in which the Court ordered as follows:

11 1. Counsel for Defendant County of Los Angeles ("Defendant") is ordered to send
12 Plaintiff itemized fee statement within 10 days. The statement should summarize the hours,
13 billing rates, and specific tasks directly associated with compiling the April 10 Notice, briefing the
14 OSC, and identifying the erroneous citations in the original reply. Within 10 days of providing the
15 statement, Plaintiff's counsel should remit payment to Defendant's counsel for the documented
16 total up to, but capped at, the stipulated sum of \$18,000.00.

17 2. The Order to Show Cause issued on April 28, 2026, is DISCHARGED, subject to
18 the fulfillment of the fee restitution order, and as agreed to by the parties.

19 3. Plaintiff's Reply in Support of Motion for Class Certification filed on March 26,
20 2026, is STRICKEN from the record. The Court accepts the Amended Reply solely to establish a
21 usable record.

22 4. The Motion for Class Certification filed by Plaintiffs Shirrane Franklin, Yvonne
23 Bowen, Jason Herrera, Daniel Parra, Paul Perkins, Jeffrey Zentner, Griselda Ramirez, Chestrina
24 Gilliam, Juan Gontes, Raul Gutierrez on January 12, 2026 is Denied.

25 5. The Court orders the parties to meet and confer in all related cases and to prepare
26 and submit a proposed Case Management Order setting forth the following:

- 27 • Specific identification of each one of the claimants, identify case number,
28 filing date, name of counsel;

- Proposed fact sheet, that each plaintiff should complete and sign under penalty of perjury;
- Medical authorizations with appropriate information;
- Schedule for written discovery, interrogatories, request for production of documents, and request for admissions.
- Schedule for depositions;
- Schedule of designation of experts, counter designations of experts, and depositions of expert;
- Proposed deadlines for filing dispositive motions; and
- Program for mediation.

6. The Court orders discovery STAYED pending the preparation of the proposed case management order.

7. A Status Conference is scheduled for August 18, 2026 at 10:00 AM in Department 6 at Spring Street Courthouse.

8. The parties are ordered to meet and confer and file a joint status report and proposed case management order by August 7, 2026.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that with respect to Case No. 25STCV37272 (*Tipler*), the Court reviewed and considered the Notice of Related Case filed by Defendant County of Los Angeles on June 9, 2026. The Court finds that the following cases, 24STCV06193 and 25STCV37272, are related within the meaning of California Rules of Court, rule 3.300(a). Case No. 24STCV06193 (*Gutierrez*) is the lead case. For good cause shown, said cases are assigned to Judge Elihu M. Berle in Department 6 at Spring Street Courthouse for all purposes. All hearings in cases other than the lead case are advanced and taken off calendar. This order is made without prejudice to the parties making a motion to consolidate in the newly assigned department. The moving party is ordered to serve notice of this order (including hearings vacated, if necessary) by mail forthwith on all interested parties within ten (10) days of the receipt of this minute order. A Status Conference is scheduled in the newly related case no. 25STCV37272 - *Tipler* for August 18, 2026 at 10:00 a.m.

1 **PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE** that with respect to Case No. 25STCV36419
2 (*Bray*), the Court reviewed and considered the Notice of Related Case filed by Defendant County
3 of Los Angeles on June 10, 2026. The Court finds that the following cases, 24STCV06193 and
4 25STCV36419, are related within the meaning of California Rules of Court, rule 3.300(a). Case
5 No. 24STCV06193 (*Gutierrez*) is the lead case. For good cause shown, said cases are assigned to
6 Judge Elihu M. Berle in Department 6 at Spring Street Courthouse for all purposes. All hearings
7 in cases other than the lead case are advanced and taken off calendar. This order is made without
8 prejudice to the parties making a motion to consolidate in the newly assigned department. The
9 moving party is ordered to serve notice of this order (including hearings vacated, if necessary) by
10 mail forthwith on all interested parties within ten (10) days of the receipt of this minute order. A
11 Status Conference is scheduled in the newly related case no. 25STCV36419 - Bray for August 18,
12 2026 at 10:00 a.m.

13 Defendant was directed to give notice of the Court's Minute Order and post a copy of same
14 on the parties' electronic service website.

15 A true and correct copy of the Court's Minute Order is attached hereto as **Exhibit A**.

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18 DATED: July 2, 2026

MILLER BARONDESS, LLP

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20 By: 

21 MIRA HASHMALL

22 Attorneys for Defendant

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Exhibit No.	Description	Pg. No.
A.	Court Minute Order re Hearing on Motion for Class Certification; Order to Show Cause Re: Sanctions Against Counsel for Plaintiff, Including Monetary Sanctions, Removal of Counsel as Potential Class Counsel, and Referral to the State Bar; Status Conference, entered June 30, 2026	6 - 10

EXHIBIT A

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Civil Division

Central District, Spring Street Courthouse, Department 6

24STCV06193

**RAUL GUTIERREZ, et al. vs LOS ANGELES COUNTY
PROBATION DEPARTMENT**

June 30, 2026

9:00 AM

Judge: Honorable Elihu M. Berle
Judicial Assistant: P. Herrera
Courtroom Assistant: M. Molinar

CSR: Kylie Shepherd, CSR # 13756
ERM: None
Deputy Sheriff: None

APPEARANCES:

For Plaintiff(s): Brent Stuart Buchsbaum via LACC; Nancy P. Doumanian via LACC; Eyal Farahan -- See additional appearances below.

For Defendant(s): Michele M. Goldsmith via LACC; Calvin R. House via LACC; Thomas C. Hurrell By Eshu Bhambra via LACC -- See additional appearances below.

Other Appearance Notes: Counsel for Plaintiff(s) via LACC: Katherine Wardlaw, Samantha Rowe, Shoka Kach, Grace Ramsey, Diem Ha, Brandon Castor and Norine Busser; Counsel for Plaintiff(s) In Person: Richard Carter

NATURE OF PROCEEDINGS: Hearing on Motion for Class Certification; Order to Show Cause Re: Sanctions Against Counsel for Plaintiff, Including Monetary Sanctions, Removal of Counsel as Potential Class Counsel, and Referral to the State Bar; Status Conference

The matters are called for hearing along with related cases.

Pursuant to Government Code sections 68086, 70044, California Rules of Court, rule 2.956, and the stipulation of appearing parties, Kylie Shepherd, CSR # 13756, certified shorthand reporter is appointed as an official Court reporter pro tempore in these proceedings, and is ordered to comply with the terms of the Court Reporter Agreement. The Order is signed and filed this date. The Court Reporter is appearing remotely via LA Court Connect.

The Order to Show Cause and the Motion for Class Certification are heard and argued.

After reviewing and considering all moving documents, and arguments of counsel, the Court rules as follows:

Counsel for Defendant is ordered to send Plaintiff itemized fee statement within 10 days. The statement should summarize the hours, billing rates, and specific tasks directly associated with compiling the April 10 Notice, briefing the OSC, and identifying the erroneous citations in the original reply. Within 10 days of providing the statement, Plaintiff's counsel should remit payment to Defendant's counsel for the documented total up to, but capped at, the stipulated sum of \$18,000.00.

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ERM: None
Deputy Sheriff: None

The Order to Show Cause issued on April 28, 2026, is DISCHARGED, subject to the fulfillment of the fee restitution order, and as agreed to by the parties.

Plaintiff's Reply in Support of Motion for Class Certification filed on March 26, 2026, is STRICKEN from the record. The Court accepts the Amended Reply solely to establish a usable record.

The Motion for Class Certification filed by Shirrane Franklin, Yvonne Bowen, Jason Herrera, Daniel Parra, Paul Perkins, Jeffrey Zentner, Griselda Ramirez, Chestrina Gilliam, Juan Gontes, Raul Gutierrez on 01/12/2026 is Denied.

The Court orders the parties to meet and confer in all related cases and to prepare and submit a proposed Case Management Order setting forth the following:

1. Specific identification of each one of the claimants, identify case number, filing date, name of counsel;
2. Proposed fact sheet, that each plaintiff should complete and sign under penalty of perjury;
3. Medical authorizations with appropriate information;
4. Schedule for written discovery, interrogatories, request for production of documents, and request for admissions.
5. Schedule for depositions;
6. Schedule of designation of experts, counter designations of experts, and depositions of expert;
7. Proposed deadlines for filing dispositive motions;
8. Program for mediation;

The Court orders discovery STAYED pending the preparation of the proposed case management order.

Status Conference is scheduled for 08/18/2026 at 10:00 AM in Department 6 at Spring Street Courthouse.

The parties are ordered to meet and confer and file a joint status report and proposed case management order by August 7, 2026.

The Court reviews and considers the Notice of Related Case filed by Defendant County of Los

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Deputy Sheriff: None

Angeles on June 9, 2026.

The Court finds that the following cases, 24STCV06193 and 25STCV37272, are related within the meaning of California Rules of Court, rule 3.300(a). 24STCV06193 is the lead case. For good cause shown, said cases are assigned to Judge Elihu M. Berle in Department 6 at Spring Street Courthouse for all purposes.

All hearings in cases other than the lead case are advanced and taken off calendar. This order is made without prejudice to the parties making a motion to consolidate in the newly assigned department. The moving party is ordered to serve notice of this order (including hearings vacated, if necessary) by mail forthwith on all interested parties within ten (10) days of the receipt of this minute order.

A Status Conference is scheduled in the newly related case no. 25STCV37272-Tipler for August 18, 2026 at 10:00 a.m.

The Court reviews and considers the Notice of Related Case filed by Defendant County of Los Angeles on June 10, 2026.

The Court finds that the following cases, 24STCV06193 and 25STCV36419, are related within the meaning of California Rules of Court, rule 3.300(a). 24STCV06193 is the lead case. For good cause shown, said cases are assigned to Judge Elihu M. Berle in Department 6 at Spring Street Courthouse for all purposes.

All hearings in cases other than the lead case are advanced and taken off calendar. This order is made without prejudice to the parties making a motion to consolidate in the newly assigned department. The moving party is ordered to serve notice of this order (including hearings vacated, if necessary) by mail forthwith on all interested parties within ten (10) days of the receipt of this minute order.

A Status Conference is scheduled in the newly related case no. 25STCV36419-Bray for August 18, 2026 at 10:00 a.m.

Defendant County is directed to give notice and post a copy of same on the parties' electronic service website.

Additional appearances for Plaintiff(s):

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At the time of service, I was over 18 years of age and not a party to this action. I am employed in the County of Los Angeles, State of California. My business address is 2121 Avenue of the Stars, Suite 2600, Los Angeles, CA 90067.

On July 2, 2026, I served true copies of the following document(s) described as:

NOTICE OF ENTRY OF ORDER

on the interested parties in this action as follows:

SEE ATTACHED SERVICE LIST

BY ELECTRONIC SERVICE: Pursuant to an Order Authorizing Electronic Service, I provided the document(s) listed above electronically on the CASE ANYWHERE Website to the parties on the Service List maintained on the CASE ANYWHERE Website for this case. Case Anywhere is the on-line e-service provider designated in this case.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on July 2, 2026, at Los Angeles, California.

/s/ Rachel Robledo

Rachel Robledo

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