

<b>SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF TUOLUMNE</b> 12855 Justice Center Drive Sonora, CA 95370 (209) 533-5555	Space below for use of Court Clerk only
Plaintiff/Petitioner:  Defendant/Respondent:	
<b>NOTICE OF INTENT TO PROCEED</b>	Case Number:

### WARNING TO PARTIES

Court time is precious. This is a concern for every courtroom in every courthouse in every county in this state. It is of particular concern here because this Department has a limited number of open sessions each week, and most case types are entitled by law to be heard as soon as possible. *See, e.g., CCP §§ 36(f), 1170.5, 1277; Family Code §§ 3023, 3407, 4003, 6320; W&I Code § 8103(f)(5).* This creates a serious scheduling bottleneck. Nevertheless, in order to do justice, when parties indicate a need for a settlement conference or an evidentiary hearing, this Department has little option but to set aside several hours of court time to accommodate the request. Recently, more and more litigants/lawyers have appeared on or just prior to their scheduled events to advise that they no longer need their blocked time (issue resolved, or parties unprepared). To better utilize scarce judicial resources, parties obtaining blocked hours of court time shall file/serve this Notice of Intent to Proceed at least 30 days prior to any settlement conference or evidentiary hearing. The failure to do so will be deemed a request by that party to vacate the conference/hearing or to waive their appearance. If the litigants/lawyers learn that they will not need their blocked time within 30 days thereof, they shall immediately contact the Court as soon as possible. *See, e.g., TCSC Local Rules 2.08.1 and 3.02.1.* This Department reserves the right to sanction any litigant/lawyer for failing to comply with this notice requirement, and to reimburse the opposing side for harm resulting from any misuse of this notification procedure.

☐ **Petitioner/Plaintiff** will be prepared, and intends to proceed with the:

☐ **Settlement Conference** scheduled for \_\_\_\_\_ @ \_\_\_\_\_ in Dept. \_\_\_\_.  
 This party ☐ will ☐ will not lodge a settlement conference statement prior thereto.

☐ **Evidentiary Hearing** scheduled for \_\_\_\_\_ @ \_\_\_\_\_ in Dept. \_\_\_\_.  
 This party ☐ will ☐ will not file/serve a witness list prior thereto.  
 This party ☐ will ☐ will not file/serve an evidence list prior thereto.  
 This party ☐ will ☐ will not file/serve a trial brief prior thereto.

☐ **Respondent/Defendant** will be prepared, and intends to proceed with the:

☐ **Settlement Conference** scheduled for \_\_\_\_\_ @ \_\_\_\_\_ in Dept. \_\_\_\_.  
 This party ☐ will ☐ will not lodge a settlement conference statement prior thereto.

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Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_