

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF
CALIFORNIA

Yaritza Felix v. Costco Wholesale Corporation, et al.

Yaritza Felix v. Costco Wholesale Corporation, No. 1:25-cv-01271-JLT-SAB (E.D. Cal. Dec. 10, 2025) · No. 1:25-cv-01271-JLT-SAB · Decided December 10, 2025

SUMMARY

The document is an order of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of California entering the parties’ stipulated protective order in Yaritza Felix v. Costco Wholesale Corporation, et al. It governs the designation, disclosure, challenge, use, filing, and final disposition of confidential discovery material and was entered on December 10, 2025.

CASE DETAILS

COURT	United States District Court for the Eastern District of California
WRITING FOR THE COURT	Stanley A. Boone
DECIDED	December 10, 2025
DOCKET	1:25-cv-01271-JLT-SAB
DISPOSITION	other
PROCEDURAL POSTURE	The parties stipulated to entry of a protective order governing confidential discovery material and petitioned the court to enter it.
PRECEDENTIAL VALUE	nonprecedential
PARTIES	Yaritza Felix v. Costco Wholesale Corporation, Club Demonstration Services, Inc., Kellee Salcedo

TOPICS

discovery dispute civil procedure sanctions

PRACTICE AREAS

civil procedure discovery

QUESTIONS PRESENTED

- Whether the court should enter the parties’ stipulated protective order governing confidential discovery material.

2. What requirements apply if a party seeks to file protected material under seal.

HOLDINGS

1. The court entered the parties' stipulated protective order and ordered that its provisions remain in effect until further order of the court.
2. A party seeking to file protected material under seal must submit a written request complying with Local Rule 141 and must demonstrate either good cause or compelling reasons, depending on the type of filing.

KEY QUOTATIONS

"Pursuant to the stipulation of the parties and good cause appearing, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that: 1. The above stipulated protective order is ENTERED; 2. The provisions of the parties' stipulation and this protective order shall remain in effect until further order of the Court;" (Court Order Entering Stipulated Protective Order, ¶¶ 1-2)

"The party making a request to file documents under seal shall be required to show either good cause or compelling reasons to seal the documents, depending on the type of filing" (Court Order Entering Stipulated Protective Order, ¶ 4)

FACTUAL BACKGROUND

The parties anticipated that discovery would involve confidential, proprietary, or private information requiring protection from public disclosure and use outside the litigation. They stipulated to procedures for designating, challenging, accessing, using, and ultimately returning or destroying protected material. The court entered the stipulated protective order and separately emphasized that confidentiality designations do not automatically authorize filing documents under seal.

PROCEDURAL HISTORY

The parties submitted a stipulated protective order in the pending civil action. The court found good cause and entered the stipulated order, while advising the parties that requests to file protected material under seal must comply with Eastern District of California Local Rule 141.

DISPOSITION

other

CASES CITED

- *Pintos v. Pacific Creditors Ass'n*, 605 F.3d 665, 677-78 (9th Cir. 2010)
- *Ctr. for Auto Safety v. Chrysler Grp., LLC*, 809 F.3d 1092, 1101 (9th Cir. 2016)