

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

Sonni Echeverria-Corzan v. Fox Corporation, et al.

Echeverria-Corzan · No. 25-cv-04253-AMO · Decided November 7, 2025

SUMMARY

The United States District Court for the Northern District of California denied Fox Corporation and Fox News Network, LLC’s motion to dismiss Sonni Echeverria-Corzan’s complaint. The court concluded that, accepting the allegations as pleaded, the complaint plausibly stated a claim under the California Invasion of Privacy Act based on alleged online tracking software, and ordered the parties to submit a supplemental case management statement.

CASE DETAILS

COURT	United States District Court for the Northern District of California
WRITING FOR THE COURT	Araceli Martinez-Olguin
JURISDICTION	United States District Court for the Northern District of California
DECIDED	November 7, 2025
DOCKET	25-cv-04253-AMO
DISPOSITION	other
PROCEDURAL POSTURE	Defendants Fox Corporation and Fox News Network, LLC moved to dismiss Plaintiff's complaint under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 12(b)(6).
STANDARD OF REVIEW	On a motion to dismiss, the court accepted the complaint's allegations as pleaded and evaluated whether the complaint plausibly stated a claim under the California Invasion of Privacy Act.
PRECEDENTIAL VALUE	unpublished district court order
PARTIES	Sonni Echeverria-Corzan v. Fox Corporation, Fox News Network, LLC

TOPICS

- motions to dismiss
- invasion of privacy
- civil procedure
- consumer protection

PRACTICE AREAS

QUESTIONS PRESENTED

1. Whether Plaintiff's complaint plausibly states a claim under the California Invasion of Privacy Act based on alleged use of online tracking software.
2. Whether the similarities between this case and prior cases involving online tracking software required denial of Defendants' motion to dismiss.

HOLDINGS

1. The complaint plausibly states a claim under the California Invasion of Privacy Act based on allegations concerning challenged online tracking software.

KEY QUOTATIONS

“the Court finds Plaintiff’s complaint plausibly states a claim under California Invasion of Privacy Act, Cal. Penal Code §§ 630 et seq. (“CIPA”).” (at 1)

“Accepting the allegations as pleaded, the Court accordingly DENIES the motion to dismiss for the reasons stated at the hearing.” (at 1)

FACTUAL BACKGROUND

Plaintiff alleged that online tracking software used in connection with Defendants' technology violated the California Invasion of Privacy Act. The court found the technology sufficiently similar to challenged online tracking software addressed in earlier cases that had allowed CIPA claims to proceed. Accepting Plaintiff's allegations as pleaded, the court found no distinguishing aspect warranting dismissal.

PROCEDURAL HISTORY

Plaintiff filed a complaint alleging that challenged online tracking software violated the California Invasion of Privacy Act. Defendants moved to dismiss. After a hearing on November 6, 2025, the court denied the motion and ordered the parties to submit a supplemental case management statement following the initial case management conference.

DISPOSITION

other

CASES CITED

- Mirmalek v. Los Angeles Times Commc’ns LLC, No. 24-CV-01797-CRB, 2024 WL 5102709 (N.D. Cal. Dec. 12, 2024)
- Shah v. Fandom, Inc., 754 F. Supp. 3d 924, 929 (N.D. Cal. 2024)
- Greenley v. Kochava, Inc., 684 F. Supp. 3d 1024, 1050 (S.D. Cal. 2023)

OPINION

1 2 3 4 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 5 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 6 7
SONNI ECHEVERRIA-CORZAN, Case No. 25-cv-04253-AMO 8 Plaintiff, ORDER DENYING
MOTION TO 9 v. DISMISS 10 FOX CORPORATION, et al., Re: Dkt. No. 11 Defendants. 11 12
13 Defendants Fox Corporation's and Fox News Network, LLC's motion to dismiss came on 14
for hearing before this Court on November 6, 2025.

Given the similarities between this case and 15 others cited repeatedly in the parties' papers,
including *Mirmalek v. Los Angeles Times Commc'ns* 16 LLC, No. 24-CV-01797-CRB, 2024 WL
5102709 (N.D. Cal. Dec. 12, 2024), *Shah v. Fandom, Inc.*, 754 F. Supp. 3d 924, 929 (N.D. Cal.
2024), and *Greenley v. Kochava, Inc.*, 684 F. Supp. 3d 18 1024, 1050 (S.D. Cal. 2023), the Court
finds Plaintiff's complaint plausibly states a claim under 19 California Invasion of Privacy Act,
Cal. Penal Code §§ 630 et seq. ("CIPA").

For the same 20 reasons that those earlier courts found that challenged online tracking software
could violate 21 CIPA, and the similarity of the technology at issue here, there are no
distinguishing aspects that 22 warrant dismissal here. Accepting the allegations as pleaded, the
Court accordingly DENIES the 23 motion to dismiss for the reasons stated at the hearing.

24 // 25 // 26 // 27 // 1 The Court also held an initial case management conference on November 6,
2025. The 2 || Court ORDERS the parties to submit a supplemental case management statement by
no later than 3 November 20, 2025. 4 5 IT IS SO ORDERED. 6 Dated: November 7, 2025 7 -
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