

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE CENTRAL DISTRICT OF
CALIFORNIA

Alberto Ruiz v. Pentair Water Pool and Spa, Inc., et al.

Ruiz · No. 2:25-cv-01768-FMO-JC · Decided January 22, 2026

SUMMARY

The United States District Court for the Central District of California dismissed the action without prejudice after counsel advised the court that the case had settled. The court retained jurisdiction and allowed the parties 45 days to reopen the action for good cause if the settlement was not consummated.

CASE DETAILS

COURT	United States District Court for the Central District of California
JURISDICTION	United States District Court for the Central District of California
DECIDED	January 22, 2026
DOCKET	2:25-cv-01768-FMO-JC
DISPOSITION	dismissed
PROCEDURAL POSTURE	The parties advised the court that the action had settled, and the court dismissed the action without prejudice.
PRECEDENTIAL VALUE	Unpublished, nonprecedential district-court order
PARTIES	Alberto Ruiz v. Pentair Water Pool and Spa, Inc., et al.

TOPICS

civil procedure

PRACTICE AREAS

civil procedure settlement

QUESTIONS PRESENTED

- Whether the settled action should be dismissed without prejudice and without costs.
- Whether the court should retain jurisdiction and permit reopening if the settlement was not consummated.

HOLDINGS

1. The action was dismissed without costs and without prejudice because counsel advised the court that the action had settled.
2. The court retained full jurisdiction over the action and authorized reopening for good cause shown within 45 days if the settlement was not consummated.

KEY QUOTATIONS

“IT IS ORDERED that the above-captioned action is hereby dismissed without costs and without prejudice to the right, upon good cause shown within 45 days, to re-open the action if settlement is not consummated.” (at 1)

FACTUAL BACKGROUND

The parties reached a settlement, or represented to the court that the action had settled. The order does not provide substantive facts concerning the underlying dispute.

PROCEDURAL HISTORY

After counsel advised the court that the action had settled, the district court dismissed the action without costs and without prejudice. The court retained jurisdiction and allowed either party to move to reopen the action for good cause within 45 days if the settlement was not consummated.

DISPOSITION

dismissed

CASES CITED

- Link v. Wabash R.R. Co., 370 U.S. 626, 629-30, 82 S. Ct. 1386, 1388 (1962)