

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

CARSTAR Franchisor SPV LLC v. West Coast Collision, et al.

No. ED CV 24-2198-FMO (SPx), United States District Court for the Central District of California (November 7, 2025)

SUMMARY

The United States District Court for the Central District of California ordered the parties to show cause why sanctions should not be imposed for failing to comply with a prior order requiring periodic status reports and notice regarding resolution of bankruptcy proceedings. The court stated that failure to respond by November 17, 2025, could result in sanctions or dismissal for lack of prosecution, while noting that a joint status report would suffice as a response.

CASE DETAILS

COURT	United States District Court for the Central District of California
WRITING FOR THE COURT	Fernando M. Olguin
JURISDICTION	United States District Court for the Central District of California
DECIDED	November 7, 2025
DOCKET	ED CV 24-2198-FMO (SPx)
DISPOSITION	other
PROCEDURAL POSTURE	The district court issued an order to show cause why sanctions should not be imposed, and warned that failure to respond could result in sanctions or dismissal for lack of prosecution.
PRECEDENTIAL VALUE	Unknown; district court order with no reported citation.

TOPICS

- sanctions
- civil procedure
- default judgment
- bankruptcy

PRACTICE AREAS

- Civil procedure
- Bankruptcy
- Commercial litigation

QUESTIONS PRESENTED

1. Whether the parties should be required to show cause why sanctions should not be imposed for failing to comply with the court's April 22, 2025 order.
2. Whether failure to respond to the order to show cause could warrant sanctions or dismissal for lack of prosecution under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 41(b).

KEY QUOTATIONS

“Failure to submit a response to this Order by the deadline set forth above may result in the imposition of sanctions and/or dismissal of this action for lack of prosecution.”

FACTUAL BACKGROUND

The parties were subject to an April 22, 2025 order requiring periodic status reports and a post-bankruptcy notification and hearing request concerning the motion for default judgment. Neither a status report nor the required notice and request had been filed. The court therefore issued an order to show cause regarding sanctions or dismissal.

PROCEDURAL HISTORY

The court had previously ordered the parties to file status reports every six months and, within 21 days after resolution of the bankruptcy proceedings, to file notice of that resolution and request a hearing date for the pending motion for default judgment. Neither filing had been made by the date of the order. The court ordered the parties to show cause in writing by November 17, 2025, and stated that a joint status report would suffice as a response.

DISPOSITION

other

CASES CITED

- Link v. Wabash R.R. Co., 370 U.S. 626, 629-30, 82 S. Ct. 1386, 1388 (1962)
- Pagtalunan v. Galaza, 291 F.3d 639, 642 (9th Cir. 2002), cert. denied, 538 U.S. 909 (2003)

OPINION

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA CIVIL MINUTES - GENERAL Case No. ED CV 24-2198-FMO (SPx) Date November 7, 2025 Title CARSTAR Franchisor SPV LLC v. West Coast Collision, et al. Present: The Honorable — Fernando M. Olguin, United States District Judge Vanessa Figueroa None Present Deputy Clerk Court Reporter / Recorder Attorneys Present for Plaintiff: Attorneys Present for Defendants: None Present None Present Proceedings: (In Chambers) Order to Show Cause Re: Sanctions or Dismissal Pursuant to the Court's Order of April 22, 2025, the parties were required to file a status report every six months and, within 21 days of the resolution of the bankruptcy proceedings, file a

notification of the same and a request, including a proposed date, for a hearing on the Motion for Default Judgment (Dkt.

18). (See Dkt. 21, Court's Order of April 22, 2025). As of the filing date of this Order, neither a status report nor a notice and request has been filed. (See, generally, Dkt.). Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED THAT, no later than November 17, 2025, the parties shall show cause in writing why sanctions should not be imposed for failure to comply with the Court's Order April 22, 2025.

Failure to submit a response to this Order by the deadline set forth above may result in the imposition of sanctions and/or dismissal of this action for lack of prosecution. See Fed. R. Civ. P. 41(b); *Link v. Wabash R.R. Co.*, 370 U.S. 626, 629-30, 82 S.Ct. 1386, 1388 (1962); *Pagtalunan v. Galaza*, 291 F.3d 639, 642 (9th Cir. 2002), cert. denied, 538 U.S. 909 (2003).

The filing of a joint status report shall be deemed a sufficient response to the Order to Show Cause. 00 00 Initials of Preparer vdr