SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MARK THE HONORABLE MARK BOESSENECKER, JUDGE PRESIDING MARA COUNTY and THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA EX. rel. SHERYL L. BRAITON, as Napa County counsel, JERRYL L. BRAITON, as Napa County Jenniffs N Case No. 22CV001262 NOPES FAMILY WINERY PARTNERS, LP, HOOPES VINEYARD, LLC, LINDSAY BLAIR HOOPES, and DOES 1 through 10, inclusive, Defendants. MID RELATED CROSS-ACTION. MID RELATED CROSS MID RELATED CROSS RELATED CROSS RELATED CROSS RELATED CROSS RELA	1 APPEARANCES OF COUNSEL 2 For the Plaintiffs and Cross-Defendants: 3 RENNE PUBLIC LAW GROUP 350 Sansome Street, Suite 300 4 San Francisco, California 94104 415-837-0456 5 By: GEOFFREY SPELLBERG, Attorney at Law gepellberg@publiclawgroup.com 6 By: ARTHUR HARTINGER, Attorney at Law (appeared via Zoom) 9 ahrtinger@publiclawgroup.com 6 For the Plaintiffs and Cross-Defendants: 0 OT-254-4521 8 J. JSON M. DOOLEY, Chief Deputy County Counsel 1 jason.dooley@countyofnapa.org 9 For the Defendants and Cross-Complainants: 10 T07-254-4521 11 BUCHALTER 12 12 13 BUCHALTER 14 S.O Pine Street 15 By: KATHARINE H. FALACE, Attorney at Law Kalace@buchalter.com 16 107-967-9656 17 10 18 11 19 State@buchalter.com
1 PROCEEDINGS 2 Friday, February 21, 2025, 8:39 a.m. 3 o00 4 THE BAILIFF: All rise. The Court of the State of 5 California, for the County of Napa, is now in session. The 6 Honorable Mark S. Boessenecker, judge presiding. 7 Please be seated. 8 THE COURT: Okay. The proceedings in the courtroom 9 today will be recorded by a court reporter, who is appearing 10 remotely. Our available staff reporters are assigned and 11 working in other courtrooms, reporting contested hearings 12 and trials. Rather than employ the use of electronic 13 recording, and since this is a master calendar courtroom, 14 this is the best department in which to use a remote 15 reporter. This decision has been made by our presiding 16 judge in consultation with our court executive officer. 17 (Other cases heard, but not reported.) 18 THE COURT: Correct. We have Max e a court reporter 19 or Napa County v. Lindsay Hoopes Blair. 20 MR. SPELLBERG: I believe we have a court reporter	 Can I have appearances, please? MR. SPELLBERG: Geoff Spellberg, Your Honor, representing the County and The People. MR. DOOLEY: Jason Dooley, Chief Deputy County Counsel, representing the County. MS. FALACE: Good morning, Your Honor. Katharine Falace on behalf of Defendants. THE COURT: All right. We're on for setting of the future motions, motion for judgment on the pleadings, and so forth. Have the parties talked about a date that works for them? MR. SPELLBERG: We have not, Your Honor. THE COURT: What are you requesting? MR. SPELLBERG: So, Your Honor, what I would like to suggest, we need to update our penalties request and the fee requests. So I was going to ask that we would do that by next Wednesday, and then our papers have been filed and served for over two months now. So we were going to suggest that all of the opposition papers and so forth from the defense would be due on March 7th. We would have two weeks, the County, to respond, till March 21, and then if the Court could set the hearing the week of April 7, that would give the Court two weeks with everything. So that's my suggestion, Your Honor.

1	THE COURT: Ms. Falace?	1	a calendar in front of him.
2	MS. FALACE: Your Honor, I think that's too compressed	2	MS. FALACE: Yes, I have one.
3	of a timeline, especially since we haven't even seen what	3	THE COURT: If we have an April 29th hearing, if you go
4	these updated costs and fees are going to be. If they're	4	three weeks back for the reply, what date would that be?
5	not going to be filing that until next Wednesday, that gives	5	MR. SPELLBERG: April 8th, Your Honor.
6	us less than a week to respond.	6	THE COURT: April 8th. And then if you go two weeks
7	We would request at least having until March 21st to be	7	back before that for the opposition, that would be?
8	able to respond. And also, we'll be filing a motion to tax	8	MR. DOOLEY: March 25th.
9	on the costs. So I just want to make sure that all those	9	THE COURT: How does that work, Ms. Falace?
10	different things coincide.	10	MS. FALACE: March 25th?
11	THE COURT: So I'm actually going to be out between	11	THE COURT: Yeah.
12	April 2nd and about the 16th. So in any event, we would	12	MS. FALACE: That's fine, Your Honor.
13	need to come back for the hearing a couple of weeks after	13	THE COURT: All right.
14	that, frankly. Maybe we look at April 29th for the hearing,	14	MS. FALACE: And I'm sorry, Your Honor. So then it
15	and then we can work backwards in terms of the filing.	15	would be March 25th for the opposition, and then?
16	So you said the 21st is what you were requesting,	16	THE COURT: So let's have the updated County paperwork
17	Ms. Falace?	17	done by the how about March 11th?
18	MS. FALACE: Yes, Your Honor. Or if the hearing is not	18	MR. SPELLBERG: Yes, Your Honor. There's nothing to
19	going to be until the 29th, just to look backwards would	19	it. All we're doing is adding an additional 38 days on the
20	I'm trying to do this in my head.	20	penalties, and then the fees for a couple of months. I
21	THE COURT: Yeah, I'm trying to do this.	21	mean, there's no additional argument. It's just updating
22	MS. FALACE: Okay.	22	it, so it's really nothing.
23	MR. SPELLBERG: It's why the paper calendar works	23	THE COURT: So you're fine with the 11th?
24	better, Judge.	24	MR. SPELLBERG: That's fine.
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2	However, even in the County's initial moving papers, they	2	obtain the stay either from this court or the appellate
3	recognized that some of the injunctive relief was mandatory,	3	court.
4	such as the search provision.	4	We have no problem if Hoopes or the Court agrees for
5	Additionally, it would be impossible for Hoopes to be	5	additional time to remove the animals; that's fine with us,
6	able to comply with everything today. For example, with the	6	but all the other provisions should be effective immediately
7	animals, the injunction says that the keeping of all animals	7	as of yesterday. So no more
8	that do not qualify as animal husbandry. Hoopes has horses	8	THE COURT: And what's your position with regards to
9	on the property, as well as other animals that may not	9	how much of a stay that would be allowed to accommodate
10	constitute animal husbandry. It would just be, quite	10	that?
11	frankly, impossible to either to move them by today's	11	MR. SPELLBERG: Oh, I would presume a week is fine. If
12	date.	12	they want two weeks, that's fine with us as well. It would
13	So we would be requesting I mean, I don't think it	13	just be time to move the animals. A week or two seems
14	comes as any surprise that we'll be filing an appeal, but we	14	perfectly reasonable to us.
15	also believe that as part of that appeal that this	15	THE COURT: Ms. Falace?
16	injunction would be stayed. I appreciate that there	16	MS. FALACE: Well, Your Honor, it does go beyond that.
17	probably is a difference of opinion with The People, but if	17	For instance, the paragraphs three, five, six four, five,
18	Your Honor would like that to be on a noticed motion for	18	six and seven on the Court's new injunction were under the
19	briefing, we can certainly set that now, unless the Court is	19	mandatory injunction on the initial proposed order. So,
20	inclined to grant a stay under 916 and 918.	20	
20	THE COURT: What's your position?	20	now, just because it doesn't have that caption of "mandatory" anymore, the County had already proposed those
21	MR. SPELLBERG: Your Honor, we object to the stay. The	21	as mandatory injunctive relief items. Now, they're under
	mandatory injunction sections were not included in the final	23	
23 24			the provision of prohibitory, but we still would submit that
	version of the preliminary injunction. We anticipate Hoopes	24	those are mandatory relief items.
25	is going to take an appeal. Because it's a prohibitory	25	Your Honor, in addition to the animals, we would just
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2	iv., that all "marketing of wine," that the Hoopes label has	2	preliminary injunction didn't relate to the sections that
3	an animal on the label. And if you look at the way that the	3	the Court maintained in the order, the paragraphs that
4	injunction is written, it says, "Any use of all animals as a	4	Ms. Falace pointed out. Those were administrative
5	marketing activity related to a lawful winery use."	5	provisions of the injunction intended to ensure compliance
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2	THE COURT: All right. Anything further?		
3	MS. FALACE: Just, Your Honor, that if we're having to	2	COUNTY OF CONTRA COSTA)
4	do something that requires something like moving animals	4	I, TINA M. VELASQUEZ, Certified Shorthand Reporter of
5	off, that is a mandatory injunction.	5	the State of California, County of Contra Costa, do hereby
6	THE COURT: Right. What I'm going to do is grant you	6	certify:
7	two weeks in which to so by March 21 I'm sorry. By	7	That I took down in machine shorthand notes all
8	the 7th, to deal with the animals. I agree with Mr. Dooley.	8	proceedings had and testimony given;
9	That's how I interpreted the order, and that was my intent.	9	That I thereafter transcribed said shorthand notes with
10	I don't think the labeling is any issue or would be a	10	the aid of a computer;
11	violation of the injunctive order, but I will give the	11	That the above and foregoing transcript is a full,
12	defense two weeks to deal with the animals.	12	true, and correct transcription of said shorthand notes
13	Okay. Thank you.	13	taken by such reporter of the proceedings, Pages 1 through
14	MS. FALACE: Thank you, Your Honor.	14	14, in the above-entitled matter;
15	MR. SPELLBERG: Thank you, Your Honor.	15	That I am not a party to the action or related to a
16	MR. DOOLEY: Thank you, Your Honor.	16 17	party or counsel; That I have no financial or other interest in the
17	(The proceedings concluded at 9:02 a.m.)	18	outcome of the action.
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