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Mandatory Settlement Conference Week October 24 – 28, 2016

SAN BERNARDINO—The Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino, Civil Division at the San Bernardino Justice Center, will host a Mandatory Settlement Conference Week from October 24-28, 2016. The inaugural settlement conference week last year resulted in the resolution of the majority of the participating cases and we are confident of similar results this year.

This Mandatory Settlement Conference Week is being held to assist litigants in resolving their cases prior to trial. In partnership with volunteer attorneys throughout the County, the court has set mandatory settlement conferences (MSC) during this week-long event. Settlement conferences are an excellent alternative to trial and allow all parties to reach a mutual resolution for the benefit of all.

There are two ways to participate in this exciting event: Participants may receive a notice of hearing from the court for a mandatory appearance or interested parties may contact the civil clerk's office at (909) 708-8678 and request to be enrolled in the program. There are still openings at various dates and times during MSC week.

Please take note of the following requirements:

- Briefs must be submitted five (5) days prior to each scheduled settlement conference and must be filed in the department indicated on the notice of hearing.
- All persons with settlement authority must be present, i.e., plaintiff, trial counsel, insurance company representatives, etc.;
- All discovery must be completed prior to settlement conference; and
- At least one party to the action must be represented by counsel in order to participate.

Please refer to SBSC Local Rules of Court 610-621 for a complete list of requirements.

For questions or more information about MSC Week, please contact the civil clerk's office at 909-708-8678.
