

Cotton Cases Related to Antitrust Activities - Summary of Actions, Judges, Parties and Counsel

April 25, 2024

COTTON 1

[DARRYL COTTON v. LAWRENCE GERACI ET AL - Case No. 37-2017-00010073-CU-BC-CTL](#)

Judge	Plaintiff	Plaintiff's Counsel	Defendants/Cross Defendants	Defense Counsel
Wohlfeil	Darryl Cotton	Pro Per	Lawrence AKA "Larry" Larry Geraci	Gina M. Austin, Arden Anderson - Austin Legal Group
		David Demian – Finch Thornton & Baird	Rebecca Berry (Cross Defendant)	Julia Dalzell - Pettit, Kohn, Ingrassia & Lutz PC
		Adam Witt – Finch Thornton & Baird		Michael Weinstein - Ferris & Britton
		Jason Thornton – Finch Thornton & Baird		Elyssa Kulas - Ferris & Britton
		Rishi Bhatt – Finch Thornton & Baird		Scott Toothacre - Ferris & Britton
		Evan Schube – Tiffany & Bosco		Megan Lees
		Jacob Austin – Law Offices		
		Andrew Flores – Law Offices		
		JoEllen Baskett – Law Offices		

COTTON 2

[DARRYL COTTON v. CITY OF SAN DIEGO ET AL - Case No. 37-2017-00037675-CU-WM-CTL](#)

Judge	Plaintiff	Plaintiff's Counsel	Defendants/Cross-Defendants	Defense Counsel
Sturgeon	Darryl Cotton	David Demian – Finch Thornton & Baird	City of San Diego	San Diego Office of the City Attorney - Mara Elliott, George Schaefer, M. Travis Phelps, Jana Will
		Rishi Bhatt – Finch Thornton & Baird	Rebecca Berry - Real Party in Interest	Michael Weinstein - Ferris & Britton
		Adam Witt – Finch Thornton & Baird	Larry Geraci – Real Party in Interest	Michael Weinstein - Ferris & Britton
		Jason Thornton – Finch Thornton & Baird		

COTTON 3

[DARRYL COTTON v. LAWRENCE GERACI ET AL - Case No 18CV0325-GPC-MDD](#)

Judge	Plaintiff	Plaintiff's Counsel	Defendants/Cross-Defendants	Defense Counsel
Curiel	Darryl Cotton	Pro Per	Lawrence aka "Larry" Larry Geraci	James Crosby - Law Offices
Bashant		Law Office of Jacob Austin	Rebecca Berry	James Crosby – Law Offices
Robinson			Gina Austin	Douglas Pettit; Julia Dalzell; Michelle Bains - Pettit, Kohn, Ingrassia, Lutz & Dolin
Ohta			Austin Legal Group	Douglas Pettit; Julia Dalzell; Michelle Bains - Pettit, Kohn, Ingrassia, Lutz & Dolin
			Michael Weinstein	James Kjar, Jon Schwalbach, Gregory Emdee - Kjar, McKenna & Stockalper
			Scott Toothacre	James Kjar, Jon Schwalbach, Gregory Emdee - Kjar, McKenna & Stockalper
			Ferris & Britton, APC	James Kjar, Jon Schwalbach, Gregory Emdee- Kjar, McKenna & Stockalper
			City of San Diego	M. Travis Phelps - Deputy City Attorney
			David Demian	Corinne Bertsche - Lewis & Brisbois
			Cynthia Bashant	Carmela Duke - San Diego Superior Court
			Joel Wohlfeil	Carmela Duke - San Diego Superior Court
			Jessica McElfresh	Laura Stewart - Walsh McKean Furcolo LLP
			US DOJ/Office of US Atty - Interested Party	Katherine Parker - DOJ-OUA

COTTON 4**DARRYL COTTON ET AL v. LAWRENCE GERACI ET AL - Case No. 18CV027510GPC-MDD**

Judge	Plaintiffs	Plaintiffs' Counsel	Defendants/Cross-Defendants	Defense Counsel
Curiel	Darryl Cotton	Law Office of Jacob Austin	Lawrence aka "Larry" Larry Geraci	Law Office of James Crosby
	Joe Hurtado	Law Office of Jacob Austin	Rebecca Berry	Law Office of James Crosby
			Austin Legal Group	Douglas Pettit: Julia Dalzell - Pettit, Kohn Ingrassia, Lutz & Dolin
			Ferris & Britton APC	Eric R. Deitz, Tatiana Dupuy - Gordon & Reese
			Michael Weinstein	Tatiana Dupuy - Gordon & Rees
			Scott Toothacre	Tatiana Dupuy - Gordon & Rees
			Finch Thornton & Baird	Kenneth Feldman, Tim J. Vanden Heuvel - Lewis & Brisbois
			David Demian	Kenneth Feldman, Tim J. Vanden Heuvel - Lewis & Brisbois
			Adam Witt	Kenneth Feldman, Tim J. Vanden Heuvel - Lewis & Brisbois

COTTON 5**DARRYL COTTON v. LAWRENCE GERACI ET AL - Case No. 37-2022-0000023-CU-MC-CTL**

Judge	Plaintiff	Plaintiff Counsel	Defendant – Cross Defendant	Defendant Counsel
Mangione	Darryl Cotton	Pro Per	Lawrence AKA "Larry" Geraci	Law Office of James Crosby
				Michael Weinstein – Ferris & Britton

COTTON 6**DARRYL COTTON v. STATE OF CALIFORNIA ET AL - Case No. 37-2021-00053551-CU-WM-CTL**

Judge	Plaintiff	Plaintiff Counsel	Defendant – Cross Defendant	Defendant Counsel
Meyer	Darryl Cotton	Pro Per	State of California	Rob Bonta, Attorney General of California
			Rob Bonta	Harinder Kapur, Senior Assistant Attorney General
				Joshua Eisenberg, Supervising Deputy Attorney General
				Ethan A. Turner, Deputy Attorney General

SHERLOCK 1**AMY SHERLOCK ET AL v. LAWRENCE GERACI ET AL - Case No. 20CV0656-JLS-LL**

Judge	Plaintiffs	Plaintiffs' Counsel	Defendants/Cross-Defendants	
Sammartino	Andrew Flores	Pro Per	Gina M. Austin	
Bashant	Amy Sherlock	Law Office of Andrew Flores	Austin Legal Group	
Sabraw	T.S. (Minor)	Law Office of Andrew Flores	Joel R. Wohlfeil	Carmela Duke – Superior Court of California
Robinson	S.S. (Minor)	Law Office of Andrew Flores	Lawrence (aka Larry) Geraci	
Ohta			Tax & Liability Financial Center, Inc.	
			Rebecca Berry	
			Jessica McElfresh	
			Salam Razuki	
			Ninus Malan	
			Michael Robert Weinstein	Gregory B. Emdee, Jon R. Schwalbach – Kjar, McKenna & Stackalper
			Scott Toothacre	Gregory B. Emdee, Jon R. Schwalbach – Kjar, McKenna & Stackalper

			Elyssa Kulas	Gregory B. Emdee, Jon R. Schwalbach – Kjar, McKenna & Stackalper
			Rachel M. Prendergast	
			Ferris & Britton APC	Gregory B. Emdee, Jon R. Schwalbach – Kjar, McKenna & Stackalper
			David S. Demian	
			Adam C. Witt	
			Rishi S. Bhatt	
			Finch Thornton & Baird LLP	
			James D. Crosby	
			Abhay Schweitzer	
			James (aka Jim) Bartell	
			Bartell & Associates	
			Matthew William Shapiro	
			Matthew W. Shapiro APC	
			Natalie Trang-My Nguyen	
			Aaron Magagna	
			A-M Industries	
			Bradford Harcourt	
			Alan Claybon	
			Shawn Miller	
			Logan Stellmacher	
			Eulenthias Duane Alexander	
			Bianca Martinez	
			City of San Diego	
			2018FMO LLC	
			Firouzeh Tirandazi	
			Stephen G. Cline	

SHERLOCK 2

[SHERLOCK ET AL v. GINA AUSTIN ET AL – Case No 37-2021-50889-CU-AT-CTL](#)

Judge	Plaintiff	Plaintiff Counsel	Defendant – Cross Defendant	Defendant Counsel
Mangione	Amy Sherlock et al	Andrew Flores	Allied Spectrum, Inc	
			Gina M. Austin	Douglas A. Pettit
			Eulenthias Duane Alexander	
			Austin Legal Group	Douglas A. Pettit
			Bartell and Kwiatowski, LLC	
			James Bartell	
			Rebecca Berry	James D. Crosby. Michael R. Weinstein
			Finch, Thorton and Baird, LLP	
			Larry Geraci	James D. Crosby, Michael R. Weinstein
			Bradford Harcourt	
			Stephen Lake	Stephen Wilson Blake
			Aaron Magagna	
			Ninus Malan	

			Jessica McElfresh	Laura E. Stewart
			Shawn Miller	
			Natalie Trang-My Nguyen	
			Prodigious Collectives, LLC	
			Salam Razuki	
			Abhay Schweitzer DBA TECHNE	Veronica M. Aguilar
			Logan Stellmacher	

KNOPF 1
TIFFANY KNOPF v. ADAM KNOPF – Case No 21-FL-002012C

Judge	Plaintiff-Petitioner	Plaintiff Counsel	Defendant – Cross Defendant	Defendant Counsel
Castillo	Tiffany Knopf	Hans Hansgeiseker	Adam Knopf	

KNOPF 2
TIFFANY KNOPF v. ADAM KNOPF – Case No 21-FL-005564C

Judge	Plaintiff-Petitioner	Plaintiff Counsel	Defendant – Cross Defendant	Defendant Counsel
Bae	Tiffany Knopf	Justin Prybutok	Adam Knopf	Erik S. Moore

BECK
[KARL BECK v. POINT LOMA PATIENTS CONSUMER COOPERATIVE CORPORATION ET AL – CLASS ACTION Case No 37-2017-37524-CU-BT-CTL](#)

Judge	Plaintiff-Petitioner	Plaintiff Counsel	Defendant – Cross Defendant	Defendant Counsel
Wohlfeil	Karl Beck	William R. Restis, Jeffrey R. Krinsk	419 Consulting, Inc	Matthew B. Dart
			Far West Management, LLC	Gina M. Austin
			Far West Operating, LLC	Gina M. Austin
			Golden State Greens, LLC	Gina M. Austin
			Justus H. Henkes IV	Matthew B. Dart
			Adam Knopf	Matthew B. Dart
			Point Loma Patients Cooperative	Gina M. Austin

RAZUKI 1
[SDPCC & HARCOURT v. RAZUKI ET AL - Case No. 37-2017-00020661-CU-CO-CTL](#)

Judge	Plaintiffs	Plaintiffs' Counsel	Defendants/Cross Defendants	Defense Counsel
Sturgeon	San Diego Patients Cooperative Corp. Inc	Alan Claybon, Mark Collier - Messner Reeves LLP	Razuki Investments LLC	David K. Demergian – Fitzmaurice, Demergian & Gagnon
	Amy Sherlock (Appellant)	Andrew Flores – Law Offices	Salam Razuki	Steven A. Elia – Elia Law Firm, Douglas Jaffe – Douglas Jaffe Law Offices
	Bradford Harcourt	Alan Claybon, Mark Collier – Messner Reeves LLP	Keith Henderson	Douglas Jaffe – Douglas Jaffe Law Offices
			American Lending and Holdings LLC	David K. Demergian – Fitzmaurice, Demergian & Gagnon
			Balboa Ave. Cooperative	
			California Cannabis Group	Gina M. Austin, Ethan T. Boyer, Tamara M. Leetham, Olga Y. Bryan

			Ninus Malan	David K. Demergian – Fitzmaurice, Demergian & Gagnon
			San Diego United Holdings Group LLC	David K. Demergian – Fitzmaurice, Demergian & Gagnon

RAZUKI 2

SALAM RAZUKI v. NINUS MALAN ET AL - Case No. 37-2018-00034229-CU-BC-CTL

Judge	Plaintiff	Plaintiff's Counsel	Defendants/Cross Defendants	Defense Counsel
Sturgeon	Salam Razuki	Law Office of John W. Zryd	Ninus Malan	David K. Demergian, James R. Lance, and Genevieve M. Ruch
			SH Westpoint Investments Group LLC	Steven A. Elia; Garret F. Groom; James Joseph - Elia Law Firm; Maura Griffin - Aljabi Law Firm
			Super 5 Consulting Group LLC	Douglas Jaffe – Law Office of Douglas Jaffe
			Sunrise Property Investments LLC	Douglas Jaffe – Law Office of Douglas Jaffe
			Stonecrest Plaza LLC	James Joseph – Elia Law Firm APC
			SoCal Building Ventures LLC	Paul A. Beck - Law Offices of Paul A. Beck APC
			Amy Sherlock (Appellant, Intervenor)	Andrew Flores – Law Offices
			SD United Holding Group LLC	Gina M. Austin, Steven W. Galuppo, Daniel Watts, and Louis A. Lance
			SD Private Investments LLC	James Joseph – Elia Law Firm APC
			SD Building Ventures LLC	Paul A. Beck - Law Offices of Paul A. Beck APC
			SH Westpoint Group LLC	James Joseph – Elia Law Firm APC
			Roselle Properties LLC	Charles F. Gorla - Gorla & Weber
			Heidi Rising	
			Sarah Razuki	Steven A. Elia - Elia Law Firm APC; Douglas Jaffe - Law Office of Douglas Jaffe
			Matthew Razuki	Steven A. Elia - Elia Law Firm APC; Douglas Jaffe - Law Office of Douglas Jaffe
			Marvin Razuki	Steven A. Elia - Elia Law Firm APC; Douglas Jaffe - Law Office of Douglas Jaffe
			Razuki Investments LLC	James Joseph – Elia Law Firm APC
			RM Property Holders LLC	Douglas Jaffe – Law Office of Douglas Jaffe
			Monarch Management Consulting Inc	Gina M. Austin, Steven W. Blake, James R. Lance, and Genevieve M. Ruch
			Mira Este Properties LLC	Charles F. Gorla - Gorla & Weber
			Melrose Place Inc	James Joseph – Elia Law Firm APC
			Lemon Grove Plaza LP	James Joseph – Elia Law Firm APC
			Adam Knopf	
			Chris Hakim	Charles F. Gorla - Gorla & Weber; Gregory D. Hagen - Greg Hagen Law
			Goldn Bloom Ventures, Inc.	Douglas Jaffe – Law Office of Douglas Jaffe
			G10 Galuppo Law (Intervenor)	Daniel Watts – G10 Law
			Matthew Freeman	
			Flip Management, LLC	James R. Lance; Genevieve M. Ruch - Noonan, Lance, Boyer & Banach LLP
			Far West Management, LLC	
			Michael Essary (Appeal Respondent)	Richardson Craig Griswold - Griswold Law APC
			El Cajon Investments Group	James Joseph - Jurewitz Law Group
			Devilish Delights Inc.	Gina M. Austin, Steven W. Blake and James R. Lance
			California Cannabis Group	Gina M. Austin, Steven W. Blake, and James R. Lance
			Balboa Avenue Cooperative	Gina M. Austin, Steven W. Blake, and James R. Lance
			Alexis Bridgewater	
			American Lending and Holdings, LLC	David K. Demergian, James R. Lance, and Genevieve M. Ruch
			Alternative Health Cooperative	Douglas Jaffe

RAZUKI 3**UNITED STATES v. SALAM RAZUKI ET AL - Case No. 18-mj-05915 (Terminated) - Reopened under 18-cr-05260**

Judge	Plaintiff	Plaintiff Counsel	Defendant	Defense Counsel
Gallo	United States of America	Derek Timothy Ko - USDOJ	Salam Razuki	Dana M. Grimes, Thomas J. Warwick Jr., Jay Temple - Grimes & Warwick; Antonia F. Yoon - Kegel, Tobin & Truce
Bencivengo	Potential Witness List	Fred A. Shepard - USDOJ	Sylvia Gonzales	Brian P. Funk - Law Office of Brian P. Funk
		Shital Thakkar - USDOJ	Elizabeth Juarez	Allen Robert Bloom - Law Office of Allen Bloom

RAZUKI 4**NINUS MALAN v. SALAM RAZUKI ET AL - Case No 27-2019-00041260**

Judge	Plaintiff	Plaintiff's Counsel	Defendants/Cross Defendants	Defense Counsel
Smyth	Ninus Malan	Benjamin Anderson, John Gomez, Raul Rabago, Chandler Roth	Salam Razuki	Rober M. Juskie
			Marvin Razuki	
			Sarah Razuki	
			Matthew Razuki	
			Razuki Investments	Theodore S. Gregor
			SH Westpoint Group LLC	Theodore S. Gregor
			San Diego Private Investments LLC	Theodore S. Gregor
			Sunrise Property Investments LLC	Douglas Jaffee, Andrew J. Galvin
			Super 5 Consulting Group LLC	Douglas Jaffee, Andrew J. Galvin
			3407 E Street, LLC	Douglas Jaffee, Andrew J. Galvin
			Stonecrest Plaza	Theodore S. Gregor
			Alternative Health Sunrise, Inc.	Douglas Jaffee, Andrew J. Galvin
			El Cajon Investments Group, Inc.	Theodore S. Gregor
			Goldn Bloom Ventures	Douglas Jaffee, Andrew J. Galvin
			Elizabeth Juarez	Michael Engenthal
			Lemon Grove Plaza, LP	Theodore S. Gregor
			Melrose Place, Inc.	Theodore S. Gregor
			RM Property Holdings, LLC	Douglas Jaffee, Theodore S. Gregor

WILLIAMS 1**CITRUS ST PARTNERS LLC v. CIT OF LEMON GROVE ET AL – Case No 37-2019-00064690**

Judge	Plaintiff	Plaintiff Counsel	Defendants/Cross Defendants	Defense Counsel
Whitney	Citrus St Partners LLC	Jacob A. Ayres	City of Lemon Grove	Alena Shamos
	Kim Investments LLC	Gina M Austin, Tamara Leetham Rozmus	City Council of Lemon Grove	Alena Shamos

WILLIAMS 2**CHRISTOPHER WILLIAMS v. DAVID ARAMBULA ET AL – Case No 37-2018-00023369-CU=PO-CTL**

Judge	Plaintiff	Plaintiff's Counsel	Defendants/Cross-Defendants	Defense Counsel
Whitney	Chris Williams	Codie Dukes, Emily Straub	David Arambula	Codie Dukes
			City of Lemon Grove	Kimberly S. Oberrecht

YOUNG 1

[CORINA YOUNG v. DAVID GASH ET AL - Case No PSC2003199](#)

Judge	Plaintiff	Plaintiff's Counsel	Defendants/Cross-Defendants	Defense Counsel
Klatchko	Corina Young	Todd E. Verbick, Dena M. Gabby	David Gash	Rolle Wolfenzon
			Matthew Yamashita	Rolle Wolfenzon
			James Hammermeister	Rolle Wolfenzon
			Southern California Organic Treatment	
			Gold Coast Design, Inc.	Rolle Wolfenzon
			Touch of Green Holdings, LLC	Rolle Wolfenzon
			Grizzly Peaks Farms 3, LLC	Rolle Wolfenzon
			Grizzly Peaks Farms II, LLC	Rolle Wolfenzon
			Grizzly Peaks Farms, LLC	Rolle Wolfenzon
			Quorum Green Industries LLC	Rolle Wolfenzon

YOUNG 2

[CORINA YOUNG v. DAVID GASH ET AL – Case No PSC2003871](#)

Judge	Plaintiff	Plaintiff's Counsel	Defendants/Cross-Defendants	Defense Counsel
Klatchko	Corina Young	Todd E. Verbick, Dena M. Gabby	David Gash	Rolle Wolfenzon
			Quorum Green Industries, LLC	Rolle Wolfenzon