

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

**CIVIL MINUTES – GENERAL**

Case No. CV 23-7593-HDV (KSx) Date: March 3, 2025

Title *Robert Hunter Biden v. Garrett Ziegler et al.*

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Present: The Honorable: Karen L. Stevenson, Chief United States Magistrate Judge

Gay Roberson  
Deputy Clerk

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Court Reporter / Recorder

Attorneys Present for Plaintiffs:  
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Attorneys Present for Defendants:  
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**Proceedings: TELEPHONIC CONFERENCE RE: DISCOVERY DISPUTE  
CONCERNING THIRD PARTY SUBPOENA FOR DEPOSITION OF PLAINTIFF’S  
COUNSEL**

Case called. Counsel made their appearances. The Court held a telephonic conference with counsel for Plaintiff and Defendants regarding a discovery dispute concerning third party witness P. Kevin Morris’s (“Morris’s”) failure to appear for a deposition on February 26, 2025, pursuant to Defendant’s Rule 45 Subpoena.

Morris maintains that he served objections to the subpoena and, because he has been counsel to Plaintiff since 2019, all of his testimony would be subject to attorney client privilege, which only Plaintiff, and not Morris, can waive. Defendant insists that Plaintiff violated Rule 37 because the appropriate procedure would have been to file a Motion to Quash the subpoena, which Mr. Morris did not do.

After further discussion, the Court noted that the dispute raises an issue that warrants briefing and a hearing, but the current discovery cut-off set by the presiding district judge, the Honorable Hernàn D. Vera, is April 1, 2025, which is the date by which all discovery must be completed and any discovery motions resolved. Thus, there is not sufficient time to resolve this dispute in a regularly noticed motion unless and until the fact discovery deadline is continued.

