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11 **SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA**  
12 **FOR THE COUNTY OF KERN**

13 ANDY K. FRANCO JR. and GUSTAVO G.  
14 AYALA, individually, and on behalf of the State  
of California and other aggrieved persons,

15 Plaintiffs,

16 v.

17 GOLDEN QUEEN MINING COMPANY, LLC,  
18 a California limited liability company; and  
DOES 1 through 10, inclusive,

19 Defendants.

Case No. BCV-23-102813

*Assigned for all purposes to:*  
*Hon. T. Mark Smith*  
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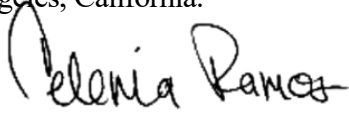
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