

## Sherlock Cases 5 & 7, Cotton Cases 1 - 4 & 7, Razuki Cases 1 - 5: Summary of Actions, Judges, Parties and Counsel

As of 10/12/2022

### Cotton Case 1

[Cotton v. Geraci, et al. – Case No. 37-2017-00010073-CU-BC-CTL](#) (Total Docket Entries as of 07/29/20: 727)

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 Case 2

[Cotton v. City of San Diego, et al. – Case No. 37-2017-00037675-CU-WM-CTL](#) (Total Docket Entries as of 11/06/18: 109)

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

[Cotton v. Geraci, et al. – Case No. 18CV0325-GPC-MDD](#) (Total Docket Entries as of 05/20/22 : 116)

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**

[Cotton and Hurtado v. Geraci, et al – Case No. 18CV027510GPC-MDD](#) (Total Docket Entries as of 05/14/19: 33)

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**

[Flores, et al. v. Geraci, et al. – Case No. 20CV0656-JLS-LL](#) (Total Docket Entries as of 06/21/22: 42)

Judge	Plaintiffs	Plaintiffs' Counsel	Defendants/Cross-Defendants	Defense Counsel
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	

**Cotton 5 - CONTINUED**

Judge	Plaintiffs	Plaintiff's Counsel	Defendants–Cross-Defendants	Defendants'-Cross-Defendants' Counsel
			Bradford Harcourt	
			Alan Claybon	
			Shawn Miller	
			Logan Stellmacher	
			Eulenthias Duane Alexander	
			Bianca Martinez	
			City of San Diego	
			2018FMO, LLC	
			Firouzeh Tirandazi	
			Stephen G. Cline	

**Cotton 6**

[Cotton v. Geraci, et al. – Case No. 37-2022-0000023-CU-MC-CTL](#) (Total Docket Entries as of 07/29/22: 80)

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

**Cotton 7**

[Sherlock, et al. v. Geraci, et al – Case No. 37-2021-00050889-CU-AT-CTL](#) (Total Docket Entries as of 08/18/22: 97)

Judge	Plaintiff	Plaintiff Counsel	Defendant – Cross Defendant	Defendant Counsel
Mangione	Andrew Flores	Pro Per	Lawrence aka “Larry” Larry Geraci	Law Office of James Crosby
	Amy Sherlock	Law Office of Andrew Flores	Rebecca Berry	Michael Weinstein – Ferris & Britton
	T.S. (a Minor)	Law Office of Andrew Flores	Stephen Lake	Steven Wilson Blake – Blake Law Firm
	S.S. (a Minor)	Law Office of Andrew Flores	Jessica McElfresh	Laura E. Stewart – Walsh McKean Furcolo LLP
	Christopher Williams	Law Office of Andrew Flores	Finch Thornton & Baird LLP	
			Salam Razuki	
			Abhay Schweitzer	
			Ninus Malan	
			James Bartell	
			Bartell & Kwiatkowski (formerly Bartell & Associates)	
			Natalie Trang-My Nguyen	
			Bradford Harcourt	
			Logan Miller	
			Eulenthias Duane Alexander	
			Gina Austin	Douglas A. Pettit, Matthew C. Smith, Kayla R. Sealey – Pettit, Kohn, Ingrassia, Lutz & Dolin
			Austin Legal Group APC	Douglas A. Pettit, Matthew C. Smith, Kayla R. Sealey – Pettit, Kohn, Ingrassia, Lutz & Dolin
			Aaron Magagna	
			Allied Spectrum Inc	
			Prodigious Collectives LLC	

**Razuki 1**

[SDPCC & Harcourt v. Razuki, et al. – Case No. 37-2017-00020661-CU-CO-CTL](#) (Total Docket Entries as of 08/08/22: 512)

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 – Austin Legal Group APC, Olga Y. Bryan – Ames Karanjia LLP
			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](#) (Total Docket Entries as of 08/16/22: 2,258)

Judge	Plaintiff	Plaintiff's Counsel	Defendants/Cross Defendants	Defense Counsel
Sturgeon	Salam Razuki	Law Office of John W. Zryd	Ninus Malan	David K. Demergian - Fitzmaurice & Demergian; James R. Lance, Genevieve M. Ruch – Noonan Lance Boyer & Banach LLP
			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-Austin Legal Group; Steven W. Galuppo; Daniel Watts- G10 Law; Louis A. Lance - Noonan Lance Boyer & Banach LLP
			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 – Austin Legal Group; Steven W. Blake – Blake Law Firm; James R. Lance; Genevieve M. Ruch – Noonan Lance Boyer & Banach LLP
			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

**Razuki 2 (CONTINUED)**

Judge	Plaintiff	Counsel	Defendants/Cross-Defendants	Defense Counsel
			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 (Interventor)	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 – Austin Legal Group; Steven W. Blake – Blake Law Firm ; James R. Lance, Genevieve M. Ruch – Noonan Lance Boyer & Banach LLP
			California Cannabis Group	Gina M. Austin – Austin Legal Group; Steven W. Blake – Blake Law Firm ; James R. Lance, Genevieve M. Ruch – Noonan Lance Boyer & Banach LLP
			Balboa Ave Cooperative	Gina M. Austin – Austin Legal Group; Steven W. Blake – Blake Law Firm ; James R. Lance, Genevieve M. Ruch – Noonan Lance Boyer & Banach LLP
			Alexis Bridgewater	
			American Lending & Holdings LLC	David K. Demergian – Fitzmaurice & Demergian; James R. Lance; Genevieve M. Ruch – Noonan Lance Boyer & Banach LLP
			Alternative Health Cooperative Inc	Law Office of Douglas Jaffe

**Razuki 3**

[United States v. Salam Razuki, et al. – Case No. 18-mj-05915](#) (Terminated) – Reopened under 18-cr-05260 (Total Docket Entries as of 06/30/22: 77)

Judge	Plaintiff	Plaintiff Counsel	Defendant – Cross 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		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 Rakuki, et al. – Case No 27-2019-00041260](#) (Total Docket Entries as of 08/05/22: 77)

Judge	Plaintiff	Plaintiff's Counsel	Defendants/Cross Defendants	Defense Counsel
Frazier	Ninus Malan	John Gomez: Jessica Sizemore – Gomez Law	Salam Razuki	
			Marvin Razuki	
			Sarah Razuki	
			Matthew Razuki	
			Razuki Investments	
			SH Westpoint Group LLC	
			San Diego Private Investments LLC	
			Sunrise Property Investments LLC	Douglas Jaffe – Law Office of Douglas Jaffe
			Super 5 Consulting Group LLC	Douglas Jaffe – Law Office of Douglas Jaffe

**Razuki 4 (Continued)**

<b>Judge</b>	<b>Plaintiff</b>	<b>Plaintiff Counsel</b>	<b>Defendants/Cross Defendants</b>	<b>Defense Counsel</b>
			3407 E Street LLC	Douglas Jaffe - Law Office of Douglas Jaffe
			Alternative Health Sunrise Inc	Douglas Jaffe - Law Office of Douglas Jaffe
			El Cajon Investments Group LLC	
			Goldn Bloom Ventures Inc	Douglas Jaffe - Law Office of Douglas Jaffe Law
			Sylvia Gonzales	
			Elizabeth Juarex	Michael Egenthal
			Lemon Grove Plaza LP	
			Melrose Place Inc	
			RM Property Holdings LLC	Douglas Jaffe - Law Office of Douglas Jaffe

## **STATISTICAL SUMMARY OF COTTON RELATED CASES**

A total of 11 related actions were filed in San Diego – 7 were filed in the San Diego County Superior Court, and 4 were filed in the United States District Court for the Southern District of California.

### **SAN DIEGO COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT**

#### **State Related Cases**

A total of 7 related cases were filed in this court, and an appeal was taken from one of these cases. The Register of Actions entries for these 7 cases total 3,860.

#### **Judges**

Four different judges presided over the 7 related cases:

- The Hon. Eddie Sturgeon (3 cases)
- The Hon. Joel R. Wohlfeil (1 case)
- The Hon. Ronald F. Frazier (1 case)
- The Hon. James A. Mangione (2 cases)

#### **Parties**

A total of 69 parties were named in these related cases – 10 Plaintiffs and 59 Defendants/Cross-Defendants

- Plaintiffs – Out of the 10 Plaintiffs, 1 was a Plaintiff in 3 cases, 1 was a Plaintiff in 2 cases, and the remaining 8 each were Plaintiffs in 1 case.
- Defendants/Cross-Defendants – Out of the 59 Defendants/Cross-Defendants, 4 were Defendants/Cross-Defendants in 3 cases, 16 were Defendants/Cross-Defendants in 2 cases, and the remaining 39 each were Defendants/Cross-Defendants in 1 case.

#### **Additional Parties**

There were 5 additional parties which include:

- 2 Real Parties in Interest
- 1 Intervenor
- 1 Appellant Intervenor
- 1 Appellate Respondent

## **Counsel for the Parties**

- Plaintiffs' Counsel – Out of the 10 Plaintiffs, 1 Plaintiff was self-represented in 4 cases, and 11 were represented by attorneys from 8 firms, with 1 firm representing 3 Plaintiffs and 3 firms each representing 2 Plaintiffs.
- Defendants'/Cross-Defendants' Counsel – The 59 Defendants/Cross-Defendants were represented by 24 attorneys from 16 firms, 1 firm representing 9 Defendants/Cross-Defendants, 1 firm representing 6 Defendants/Cross-Defendants, 2 firms representing 5 Defendants/Cross-Defendants, 1 firm representing 4 Defendants/Cross-Defendants, and 3 firms representing 3 Defendants/Cross-Defendants.
- Counsel for 2 Real Parties in Interest – 1 firm/attorney
- Counsel for Intervenor – 1 firm/attorney
- Appellant Intervenor – 1 firm/attorney
- Appellate Respondent – 1 firm/attorney

## **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT, SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**

### **Federal Related Cases**

A total of 4 related cases were filed in this court. The Docket entries for these 7 cases total 268.

### **District and Magistrate Judges**

Eight different judges presided over the 4 related cases:

- The Hon. Gonzalo P. Curiel (2 cases)
- The Hon. Cynthia A. Bashant (2 cases)
- The Hon. Todd W. Robinson (2 cases)
- The Hon. Jinsook Ohta (2 cases)
- The Hon. Janis L. Sammartino
- The Hon. Jinsook Ohta
- The Hon. Cathy Ann Bencivengo
- The Hon. William V. Gallo



## **Parties**

A total of 45 parties were named in these cases – 7 Plaintiffs and 38 Defendants/Cross-Defendants.

- Plaintiffs – Out of the 7 named Plaintiffs, 1 Plaintiff was self-represented in 2 cases, and one was a Plaintiff in 2 cases, and the remaining 5 each were Plaintiffs in 1 case.
- Defendants/Cross-Defendants – Out of the 38 named Defendants/Cross-Defendants in these cases, 2 were Defendants/Cross-Defendants in 5 cases, 1 was a Defendant/Cross-Defendant in 4 cases, 5 were Defendants/Cross-Defendants in 3 cases, 2 were Defendants/Cross-Defendants in 2 cases, and the remaining 28 each were Defendants/Cross-Defendants in 1 case.

## **Additional Parties**

There was 1 Real Party in Interest in 1 case.

## **Counsel for the Parties**

- Plaintiffs' Counsel – Out of the 7 Plaintiffs, 2 Plaintiffs each were self-represented in 2 cases, 3 Plaintiffs were represented by the same firm, and the remaining 2 Plaintiffs also were represented by the same firm.
- Defendants'/Cross-Defendants' Counsel – The 38 Defendants/Cross-Defendants were represented by 20 attorneys from 12 firms, 2 firms each representing 4 Defendants/Cross-Defendants, and 3 each firms representing 3 Defendants/Cross-Defendants.
- Counsel for Real Party in Interest – 1 attorney from DOJ/Office of the US Attorney.