

Kohls v. Bonta (2:24-cv-02527)

District Court, E.D. California

Tags

Get Alerts (/alert/docket/toggle/)

View on PACER (https://ecf.caed.uscourts.gov/cgi-bin/DktRpt.pl?453046)

Last Updated: June 19, 2025, 1:56 a.m.

Assigned To: John A. Mendez (/person/2216/john-a-mendez/)

Referred To: Carolyn K. Delaney (/person/9077/carolyn-k-delaney/)

Citation: Kohls v. Bonta, 2:24-cv-02527, (E.D. Cal.)

Date Filed: Sept. 17, 2024

Date of Last Known Filing: June 12, 2025

Cause: 28:1983 Civil Rights (/?type=r&cause="28:1983 Civil Rights")

Nature of Suit: 440 Civil Rights: Other (/?type=r&nature_of_suit="440 Civil Rights: Other")

Jury Demand: None (/?type=r&q=juryDemand:"None")

Jurisdiction Type: Federal Question

Docket Entries (/docket/69172215/kohls-v-bonta/)

Parties and Attorneys (/docket/69172215/parties/kohls-v-bonta/)

Authorities (/docket/69172215/authorities/kohls-v-bonta/)

Search this docket

Q (/?type=r&q=docket_id%3A69172215)

Filed

MM/DD/YYYY

to

MM/DD/YYYY

↓ 1 Asc.

↓ 1 Desc.

Documents

to

◀ Prev.

Next ▶

Items on this page are sourced from PACER (https://www.pacer.gov) and RECAP (https://free.law/recap/) and may not be up to date. Learn more about our coverage (/help/coverage/recap/).

Date Filed		Description	CSV
2	Sep 17, 2024	EXHIBITS re 1 Complaint by Christopher Kohls. (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit A. Governor Newsom tweet, # 2 Exhibit B. AB 2655 Timeline, # 3 Exhibit C. Assembly Committee on Judiciary Comments Report on AB 2655, # 4 Exhibit D. Senate Committee on Elections and Constitutional Amendments Comments on AB 2655, # 5 Exhibit E. Senate Judiciary Committee Comments on AB 2655, # 6 Exhibit F. AB 2839 Timeline, # 7 Exhibit G. Assembly Committee on Elections Comments on AB 2839, # 8 Exhibit H. Assembly Committee on Judiciary Comments Report on AB 2839, # 9 Exhibit I. Senate Judiciary Committee Comments on AB 2839, # 10 Exhibit J. Senate Standing Committee on Appropriations Comments on AB 2839) (Frank, Theodore) (Entered: 09/17/2024)	

https://www.courtlistener.com/docket/69172215/kohls-v-bonta/

1/17

Main Doc Notice of Errata
(/docket/69172215/2/kohls-
v-bonta/)

Att 1 Exhibit A. Governor Newsom tweet
(/docket/69172215/2/1/kohls-
v-bonta/)

Att 2 Exhibit B. AB 2655 Timeline
(/docket/69172215/2/2/kohls-
v-bonta/)

Att 3 Exhibit C. Assembly Committee on
(/docket/69172215/2/3/kohls-
v-bonta/) Judiciary Comments Report on AB
2655

Att 4 Exhibit D. Senate Committee on
(/docket/69172215/2/4/kohls-
v-bonta/) Elections and Constitutional
Amendments Comments

Att 5 Exhibit E. Senate Judiciary Committee
(/docket/69172215/2/5/kohls-
v-bonta/) Comments on AB 2655

Att 6 Exhibit F. AB 2839 Timeline
(/docket/69172215/2/6/kohls-
v-bonta/)

Att 7 Exhibit G. Assembly Committee on
(/docket/69172215/2/7/kohls-
v-bonta/) Elections Comments on AB 2839

Att 8 Exhibit H. Assembly Committee on
(/docket/69172215/2/8/kohls-
v-bonta/) Judiciary Comments Report on AB
2839

Att 9 Exhibit I. Senate Judiciary Committee
(/docket/69172215/2/9/kohls-
v-bonta/) Comments on AB 2839

Att 10 Exhibit J. Senate Standing Committee
(/docket/69172215/2/10/kohls-
v-bonta/) Appropriations Comments on AB
2839

1 Sep 17, 2024

COMPLAINT against All Defendants by Christopher Kohls. Attorney Frank, Theodore H. added. (Filing fee \$ 405, receipt number ACAEDC-11754879) (Attachment(s): # 1 Civil Cover Sheet)(Frank, Theodore) (Entered: 09/17/2024)

Main Doc Complaint
(/docket/69172215/1/kohls-
v-bonta/)

Att 1 Civil Cover Sheet
(/docket/69172215/1/1/kohls-
v-bonta/)

6 Sep 18, 2024

MOTION for PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION by Christopher Kohls. (Attachments: # 1 Memorandum, # 2 Declaration of Theodore H. Frank, # 3 Proposed Order) (Frank, Theodore) Modified on 9/19/2024 (Nair, C). (Entered: 09/18/2024)

Main Doc Motion for Preliminary Injunction
(/docket/69172215/6/kohls-
v-bonta/)

Att 1 Memorandum
(/docket/69172215/6/1/kohls-
v-bonta/)

Att 2 Declaration of Theodore H. Frank
(/docket/69172215/6/2/kohls-
v-bonta/)

Att 3 Proposed Order
(/docket/69172215/6/3/kohls-
v-bonta/)

5 Sep 18, 2024 PRO HAC VICE APPLICATION and PROPOSED ORDER submitted by Christopher Kohls for attorney Adam E. Schulman to appear Pro Hac Vice. (Filing fee \$ 300, receipt number ACAEDC-11756018) (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit Certificate of Good Standing) (Frank, Theodore) (Entered: 09/18/2024)

Main Doc Pro Hac Vice Application
(/docket/69172215/5/kohls-
v-bonta/)

Att 1 Exhibit Certificate of Good Standing
(/docket/69172215/5/1/kohls-
v-bonta/)

4 Sep 18, 2024 CIVIL NEW CASE DOCUMENTS ISSUED (Attachments: # 1 Consent Form, # 2 Order re Filing Requirements, # 3 VDRP) (Lopez, K) (Entered: 09/18/2024)

Main Doc Civil New Case Documents
(/docket/69172215/4/kohls-
v-bonta/)

Att 1 Consent Form
(/docket/69172215/4/1/kohls-
v-bonta/)

Att 2 Order re Filing Requirements
(/docket/69172215/4/2/kohls-
v-bonta/)

Att 3 VDRP
(/docket/69172215/4/3/kohls-
v-bonta/)

3 Sep 18, 2024 SUMMONS ISSUED as to *Rob Bonta, Shirley N. Weber* with answer to complaint due within *21* days. Attorney *Theodore H. Frank* *Hamilton Lincoln Law Institute* *1629 K Street, NW Suite 300* *Washington, DC 20006*. (Lopez, K) (Entered: 09/18/2024)

Main Doc Summons
(/docket/69172215/3/kohls-
v-bonta/)

7 Sep 19, 2024 PRO HAC VICE ORDER signed by Senior District Judge John A. Mendez on 09/18/2024 GRANTING 5 Application for Pro Hac Vice. Added attorney Adam E. Schulman, PHV for Christopher Kohls. The Pro Hac Vice attorney is directed to request electronic filing access through PACER. (Murphy, J) (Entered: 09/19/2024)

Main Doc Order on Application for Pro Hac Vice
(/docket/69172215/7/kohls-
v-bonta/)

9 Sep 23, 2024

OPPOSITION by Rob Bonta, Shirley N. Weber to 6 Motion for Preliminary Injunction. (Attachments: # 1 Declaration of Kristin A. Liska (with Exhibits 1-7)) (Liska, Kristin) (Entered: 09/23/2024)

Main Doc Opposition to Motion
(/docket/69172215/9/kohls-v-bonta/)

Att 1 Declaration of Kristin A. Liska (with Exhibits 1-7)
(/docket/69172215/9/1/kohls-v-bonta/)

8 Sep 23, 2024 NOTICE of APPEARANCE by Kristin A. Liska on behalf of Rob Bonta, Shirley N. Weber. Attorney Liska, Kristin A. added. (Liska, Kristin) (Entered: 09/23/2024)

Main Doc Notice of Appearance
(/docket/69172215/8/kohls-v-bonta/)

10 Sep 26, 2024 REPLY by Christopher Kohls to RESPONSE to 6 Motion for Preliminary Injunction. (Frank, Theodore) (Entered: 09/26/2024)

Main Doc Reply to Response to Motion
(/docket/69172215/10/kohls-v-bonta/)

13 Sep 27, 2024 MINUTE ORDER (Text Only Entry) issued by M York Courtroom Deputy for Senior District Judge John A. Mendez on 09/27/2024: Upon careful review of Protect Democracy Project's Motion for Leave to File Amicus Curiae Brief (ECF No. 12), the Court DENIES the 12 motion. (York, M) (Entered: 09/27/2024)

Main Doc Minute Order

Sep 27, 2024 Minute Order AND Order on Motion for Preliminary Injunction

Sep 27, 2024 Minute Order AND Order on Motion for Miscellaneous Relief

12 Sep 27, 2024 MOTION to FILE AMICUS CURIAE BRIEF re: 6 Motion for Preliminary Injunction by Protect Democracy Project. Attorney Langford, John added. (Attachments: # 1 Proposed Amicus Curiae Brief, # 2 Proposed Order) (Langford, John) Modified on 9/27/2024 (Benson, A.). (Entered: 09/27/2024)

Main Doc Motion for Miscellaneous Relief
(/docket/69172215/12/kohls-v-bonta/)

Att 1 Proposed Amicus Curiae Brief
(/docket/69172215/12/1/kohls-v-bonta/)

Att 2 Proposed Order
(/docket/69172215/12/2/kohls-v-bonta/)

11 Sep 27, 2024 MINUTE ORDER (Text Only Entry) issued by M York Courtroom Deputy for Senior District Judge John A. Mendez on 09/27/2024: Plaintiff's 6 Motion for Preliminary Injunction is SUBMITTED without appearance and without oral argument pursuant to Local Rule 230(g). If the Court subsequently concludes that oral argument is necessary, a hearing will be set and the parties notified accordingly. (York, M) (Entered: 09/27/2024)

Main Doc Minute Order

21 Sep 30, 2024

COMPLAINT filed by Plaintiffs The Babylon Bee, LLC and Kelly Chang Rickert. [FILED in Lead Case pursuant to 20 Order Consolidating Cases]. (Salmeron, A) (Entered: 10/25/2024)

Main Doc Complaint
(/docket/69172215/21/kohls-v-bonta/)

14 Oct 2, 2024

ORDER signed by Senior District Judge John A. Mendez on 10/02/24 GRANTING 6 Motion for Preliminary Injunction. Defendants Rob Bonta and Shirley N. Weber and their agents, employees, public servants, officers and persons acting in concert with them are ENJOINED from enforcing AB 2839 except for the audio only severed portion of the statute. The bond requirement under Federal Rule 65(c) is WAIVED. (Benson, A.) (Entered: 10/02/2024)

Main Doc Order on Motion for Preliminary
(/docket/69172215/14/kohls-v-bonta/)

16 Oct 16, 2024

[DISREGARD] -NOTICE of RELATED CASE(S) 2:24-cv-02787-WBS by The Babylon Bee, LLC, Kelly Chang Rickert. Attorney Chavez-Ochoa, Brian Ricardo added. (Chavez-Ochoa, Brian) Modified on 10/16/2024 (York, M). (Entered: 10/16/2024)

Main Doc Notice of Related Case(s)
(/docket/69172215/16/kohls-v-bonta/)

15 Oct 16, 2024

[DISREGARD - LOCAL COUNSEL TO REFILE] - NOTICE of RELATED CASE(S) 2:24-cv-02787-WBS-SCR by The Babylon Bee, LLC, Kelly Chang Rickert. Attorney Widmalm-Delphonse, Johannes added. (Widmalm-Delphonse, Johannes) Modified on 10/16/2024 (York, M). (Entered: 10/16/2024)

Main Doc Notice of Related Case(s)
(/docket/69172215/15/kohls-v-bonta/)

17 Oct 17, 2024

NOTICE of RELATED CASE(S) 2:24-cv-02787-WBS-SCR by Christopher Kohls. (Schulman, Adam) (Entered: 10/17/2024)

Main Doc Notice of Related Case(s)
(/docket/69172215/17/kohls-v-bonta/)

18 Oct 18, 2024

RELATED CASE ORDER signed by Senior District Judge John A. Mendez on 10/17/24 RELATING cases 2:24-cv-02527 JAM CKD and 2:24-cv-02787 JAM CKD. (Licea Chavez, V) (Entered: 10/18/2024)

Main Doc Order
(/docket/69172215/18/kohls-v-bonta/)

19 Oct 22, 2024

STIPULATION and PROPOSED ORDER for Consolidation by Christopher Kohls. (Attachments: # 1 Proposed Order) (Schulman, Adam) (Entered: 10/22/2024)

Main Doc Stipulation and Proposed Order
(/docket/69172215/19/kohls-v-bonta/)

Att 1 Proposed Order
(/docket/69172215/19/1/kohls-v-bonta/)

22 Oct 25, 2024

ORDER FOR INJUNCTION signed by Senior District Judge John A. Mendez on 10/24/2024. [FILED in Lead Case per Chambers] (Salmeron, A) (Entered: 10/25/2024)

Main Doc Order
(/docket/69172215/22/kohls-v-bonta/)

20 Oct 25, 2024

STIPULATION and ORDER signed by Senior District Judge John A. Mendez on 10/24/24, ORDERING that Pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 42, the actions denominated as Kohls v. Bonta, et al. Case No. 2:24-cv-02527-JAM-CKD and The Babylon Bee, LLC, et al v. Feldstein Soto, et al., Case No. 2:24-cv-02787-JAM-CKD are hereby CONSOLIDATED. Case No. 2:24-cv-02527-JAM-CKD is designated as the "master file;" The Clerk is DIRECTED to add all complaints and answers filed in Case No. 2:24-cv-02787-JAM-CKD to the master file. The Clerk is DIRECTED to ADMINISTRATIVELY CLOSE Case No. 2:24-cv-02787-JAM-CKD. The parties are DIRECTED to file all future pleadings, motions and other filings ONLY in Case No. 2:24-cv-02527-JAM-CKD. (Salmeron, A) (Entered: 10/25/2024)

Main Doc Stipulation and Order
(/docket/69172215/20/kohls-v-bonta/)

23 Nov 13, 2024

STIPULATION and PROPOSED ORDER for Summary Judgment Briefing Schedule by Kelly Chang Rickert, The Babylon Bee, LLC. (Widmalm-Delphonse, Johannes) (Entered: 11/13/2024)

Main Doc Stipulation and Proposed Order
(/docket/69172215/23/kohls-v-bonta/)

38 Nov 14, 2024

COMPLAINT by X Corp. filed pursuant to 37 Order. [Originally filed in case no. 2:24-cv-3162] (Attachments: # 1 Civil Cover Sheet, # 2 Corporate Disclosure Statement) (Yin, K) (Entered: 12/27/2024)

Main Doc Notice - Other
(/docket/69172215/38/kohls-v-bonta/)

Att 1 Civil Cover Sheet
(/docket/69172215/38/1/kohls-v-bonta/)

Att 2 Corporate Disclosure Statement
(/docket/69172215/38/2/kohls-v-bonta/)

24 Nov 14, 2024

STIPULATION and PROPOSED ORDER for Stay Enforcement of AB 2655 by Kelly Chang Rickert, The Babylon Bee, LLC. (Widmalm-Delphonse, Johannes) (Entered: 11/14/2024)

Main Doc Stipulation and Proposed Order
(/docket/69172215/24/kohls-v-bonta/)

25 Nov 15, 2024

STIPULATION AND ORDER TO STAY ENFORCEMENT OF AB 2655 signed by Senior District Judge John A. Mendez on 11/15/2024. (York, M) (Entered: 11/15/2024)

Main Doc Stipulation and Order
(/docket/69172215/25/kohls-v-bonta/)

26 Nov 16, 2024

ORDER FOR BRIEFING SCHEDULE ON SUMMARY JUDGMENT signed by Senior District Judge John A. Mendez on 11/15/2024 re 23 Stipulation. The Court ORDERS the following schedule:(1) Plaintiffs shall file their opening summary judgment briefs of no more than 25 pages each by 01/15/2025.(2) Defendants shall file a consolidated cross-motion for summary judgment and/or opposition brief of no more than 35 pages by 03/12/2025.(3) Plaintiffs shall each file their respective consolidated opposition and reply brief of no more than 25 pages by 04/11/2025(4) Defendants shall file their reply brief of no more than 15 pages by 05/02/2025. The motions will be SUBMITTED without appearance and without oral argument pursuant to Local Rule 230(g). If the Court subsequently concludes that oral argument is necessary, a hearing will be set and the parties notified accordingly. (York, M) (Entered: 11/16/2024)

Main Doc Order
 (/docket/69172215/26/kohls-
 v-bonta/)

- | | | |
|----|--------------|--|
| 33 | Nov 27, 2024 | COMPLAINT by Rumble Inc., et al., filed per 32 Order [ORIGINALLY FILED in 2:24-cv-3315 JAM CKD]. (Benson, A.) (Entered: 12/20/2024) |
| | | <p>Main Doc Notice - Other
 (/docket/69172215/33/kohls-
 v-bonta/)</p> |
| 27 | Dec 2, 2024 | NOTICE of RELATED CASE(S) 2:24-cv-03315-DC-CKD, 2:24-cv-03162-WBS-CSK by Kelly Chang Rickert, The Babylon Bee, LLC. (Widmalm-Delphonse, Johannes) (Entered: 12/02/2024) |
| | | <p>Main Doc Notice of Related Case(s)
 (/docket/69172215/27/kohls-
 v-bonta/)</p> |
| 28 | Dec 4, 2024 | RELATED CASE ORDER signed by Senior District Judge John A. Mendez on 12/3/2024 RELATING case 2:24-cv-03315 DC-CKD; Reassigning the action to Judge John A. Mendez and Magistrate Judge Carolyn K. Delaney for all further proceedings. (Becknal, R.) (Entered: 12/04/2024) |
| | | <p>Main Doc Order
 (/docket/69172215/28/kohls-
 v-bonta/)</p> |
| 29 | Dec 16, 2024 | NOTICE of RELATED CASE(S) 2:24-cv-03162-WBS-CSK, 24-cv-03315-JAM-CKD by X Corp.. Attorney Warne, William Ross added. (Warne, William) (Entered: 12/16/2024) |
| | | <p>Main Doc Notice of Related Case(s)
 (/docket/69172215/29/kohls-
 v-bonta/)</p> |
| 30 | Dec 19, 2024 | STIPULATION and PROPOSED ORDER for Consolidation by Kelly Chang Rickert, The Babylon Bee, LLC. (Widmalm-Delphonse, Johannes) (Entered: 12/19/2024) |
| | | <p>Main Doc Stipulation and Proposed Order
 (/docket/69172215/30/kohls-
 v-bonta/)</p> |
| 34 | Dec 20, 2024 | STIPULATION and PROPOSED ORDER to Modify Summary Judgment Briefing Schedule by Kelly Chang Rickert, The Babylon Bee, LLC. (Widmalm-Delphonse, Johannes) Modified on 12/23/2024 (Benson, A.). (Entered: 12/20/2024) |
| | | <p>Main Doc Stipulation and Proposed Order
 (/docket/69172215/34/kohls-
 v-bonta/)</p> |

- 32 Dec 20, 2024 STIPULATION and ORDER signed by Senior District Judge John A. Mendez on 12/19/24 CONSOLIDATING CASES 2:24-cv-2527 JAM CKD and 2:24-cv-3315 JAM CKD; DESIGNATING this case, 2:24-cv-2527 JAM CKD, as the Master File. Clerk to add all complaints and answers from 2:24-cv-3315 JAM CKD into this Master File and then administratively close that case. Parties are DIRECTED to file all future pleadings, motions, and other filings ONLY in this Case No. 2:24-cv-02527 JAM CKD. (Benson, A.) (Entered: 12/20/2024)
- Main Doc Order
(/docket/69172215/32/kohls-v-bonta/)
- 31 Dec 20, 2024 RELATED CASE ORDER signed by Senior District Judge John A. Mendez on 12/19/24 RELATING cases 2:24-cv-2527 JAM CKD, 2:24-cv-2787 JAM CKD, 2:24-cv-3315 JAM CKD and 2:24-cv-3162 JAM CKD. (Benson, A.) (Entered: 12/20/2024)
- Main Doc Order
(/docket/69172215/31/kohls-v-bonta/)
- 35 Dec 23, 2024 STIPULATION and PROPOSED ORDER for RE Consolidation by X Corp.. (Attachments: # 1 Proposed Order) (Warne, William) (Entered: 12/23/2024)
- Main Doc Stipulation and Proposed Order
(/docket/69172215/35/kohls-v-bonta/)
- Att 1 Proposed Order
(/docket/69172215/35/1/kohls-v-bonta/)
- 37 Dec 27, 2024 ORDER CONSOLIDATING CASES signed by Senior District Judge John A. Mendez on 12/26/2024. The actions denominated 2:24-cv-02527-JAM-CKD, 2:24-cv-03315-JAM-CKD, and 2:24-cv-03162-JAM-CKD are hereby CONSOLIDATED for all purposes. Case No. 2:24-cv-02527-JAM-CKD is designated as the "master file." The Clerk shall add all complaints and answers filed in Case Nos. 2:24-cv-03315-JAM-CKD and 2:24-cv-03162-JAM-CKD to the master file and ADMINISTRATIVELY CLOSE Case Nos. 2:24-cv-03315-JAM-CKD and 2:24-cv-03162-JAM-CKD. The parties are DIRECTED to file all future pleadings, motions, and other filings ONLY in Case No. 2:24-cv-02527-JAM-CKD. (Yin, K) (Entered: 12/27/2024)
- Main Doc Order
(/docket/69172215/37/kohls-v-bonta/)
- 36 Dec 27, 2024 STIPULATION AND ORDER signed by Senior District Judge John A. Mendez on 12/26/2024 ORDERING as follows: By 2/19/2025, Plaintiffs shall file their opening consolidated summary-judgment briefs; By 4/16/2025, Defendants shall file their consolidated cross-motions for summary judgment and/or opposition briefs; By 5/16/2025, Plaintiffs shall file their consolidated opposition and/or reply briefs. By 6/6/2025, Defendants shall file their consolidated reply briefs. (Mena-Sanchez, L) (Entered: 12/27/2024)
- Main Doc Order
(/docket/69172215/36/kohls-v-bonta/)
- 39 Jan 2, 2025 STIPULATION and PROPOSED ORDER for Amended Stay of Enforcement of AB 2655 by X Corp.. (Warne, William) (Entered: 01/02/2025)

Main Doc Stipulation and Proposed Order
 (/docket/69172215/39/kohls-
 v-bonta/)

40 Jan 3, 2025 ORDER signed by Senior District Judge John A. Mendez on 01/02/25 DIRECTING Defendants Rob Bonta and Shirly N. Weber to STAY enforcement of AB 2655 in its entirety, including §§ 20514(a) and 20515(a), through 06/28/25. (Deputy Clerk VLC) (Entered: 01/03/2025)

Main Doc Order
 (/docket/69172215/40/kohls-
 v-bonta/)

41 Jan 7, 2025 STIPULATION and PROPOSED ORDER for to Join Summary-Judgment Briefing Schedule by X Corp.. (Warne, William) (Entered: 01/07/2025)

Main Doc Stipulation and Proposed Order
 (/docket/69172215/41/kohls-
 v-bonta/)

42 Jan 10, 2025 STIPULATION and ORDER signed by Senior District Judge John A. Mendez on 1/10/2025 ORDERING that Plaintiff X Corp. follow the summary-judgment briefing schedule set forth at ECF No. 36 . (Deputy Clerk RRB) (Entered: 01/10/2025)

Main Doc Stipulation and Order
 (/docket/69172215/42/kohls-
 v-bonta/)

43 Jan 23, 2025 STIPULATION and PROPOSED ORDER to Modify Summary Judgment Briefing Schedule by X Corp.. (Warne, William) (Entered: 01/23/2025)

Main Doc Stipulation and Proposed Order
 (/docket/69172215/43/kohls-
 v-bonta/)

44 Jan 31, 2025 ORDER signed by Senior District Judge John A. Mendez on 01/30/25, per 43 Stipulation, MODIFYING the following dates: by 03/07/25, Plaintiffs and Defendants shall file their opening consolidated summary judgment briefs; by 06/06/25, Plaintiffs and Defendants shall file their consolidated responsive briefs. (Deputy Clerk AJB) (Entered: 01/31/2025)

Main Doc Order
 (/docket/69172215/44/kohls-
 v-bonta/)

49 Mar 7, 2025 DEFENDANTS' MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT by Rob Bonta, Shirley N. Weber. Motion Hearing set for 8/5/2025 at 1:00 PM in Courtroom 6 (JAM) before Senior District Judge John A. Mendez. (Attachments: # 1 Memorandum, # 2 Memorandum, # 3 Declaration of R. Michael Alvarez, # 4 Declaration of Kristin A. Liska, # 5 Defendants' Statement of Undisputed Facts, # 6 Proposed Order)(Liska, Kristin) Modified on 3/12/2025 (AMW). (Entered: 03/07/2025)

Main Doc Motion for Summary Judgment
 (/docket/69172215/49/kohls-
 v-bonta/)

Att 1 Memorandum of Points and Authorities
 (/docket/69172215/49/kohls-
 v-bonta/)

Att 2 Memorandum of Points and Authorities
 (/docket/69172215/49/kohls-
 v-bonta/)

Att 3 Declaration of R. Michael Alvarez (with
 (/docket/69172215/49/6/kohls-
 v-bonta/)

Att 4 Declaration of Kristin A. Liska (with
 (/docket/69172215/49/6/kohls-1-22)
 v-bonta/)

Att 5 Defendants' Statement of Undisputed
 (/docket/69172215/49/6/kohls-
 v-bonta/)

Att 6 Proposed Order
 (/docket/69172215/49/6/kohls-
 v-bonta/)

48 Mar 7, 2025 NOTICE of REQUEST to SEAL Document(s) pursuant to L.R. 141 by Rumble Canada Inc., Rumble Inc., X Corp. (Kurtzberg, Joel) Modified on 3/12/2025 (AMW). (Entered: 03/07/2025)

Main Doc Notice of Request to Seal
 (/docket/69172215/48/6/kohls-
 v-bonta/)

47 Mar 7, 2025 STATEMENT of UNDISPUTED FACTS in support of 45, 46 Motions for Summary Judgment filed by Christopher Kohls, Kelly Chang Rickert, Rumble Canada Inc., Rumble Inc.. (Attachments: # 1 Declaration of Joel Kurtzberg, # 2 Exhibit AB 2655, # 3 Exhibit Hearing, # 4 Exhibit Assembly, # 5 Exhibit Senate, # 6 Exhibit Hearing on AB 2655, # 7 Exhibit Assembly Standing Committee, # 8 Exhibit Beat Biden, # 9 Exhibit Eliot Higgins, # 10 Exhibit @Kamala, # 11 Exhibit 57th, # 12 Exhibit Kamala Harris, # 13 Exhibit Elon Musk, # 14 Exhibit Gavin Newsom, # 15 Exhibit Hearing on AB 2655, # 16 Exhibit Wendy Seltzer, # 17 Exhibit Jennifer M. Urban, Joe Karaganis & Brianna Schofield, # 18 Exhibit Jennifer M. Urban & Laura Quilter, # 19 Exhibit Alfred C. Yen, # 20 Exhibit Donald J. Trump, # 21 Exhibit Floyd Abrams, # 22 Exhibit Assembly Committee on Judiciary, # 23 Exhibit Senate Judiciary Committee, # 24 Exhibit Senate Amended AB 2839, # 25 Exhibit Bill History, # 26 Exhibit 12 Minutes, # 27 Exhibit Frank J. Fleming, # 28 Exhibit Media on Demand, # 29 Declaration of Christopher Kohls, # 30 Declaration of Kelly Chang Rickert, # 31 Exhibit, # 32 Declaration of Seth Dillon, # 33 Exhibit)(Kurtzberg, Joel) Modified on 3/12/2025 (AMW). (Entered: 03/07/2025)

Main Doc Statement
 (/docket/69172215/47/kohls-
 v-bonta/)

Att 1 Declaration of Joel Kurtzberg
 (/docket/69172215/47/1/kohls-
 v-bonta/)

Att 2 Exhibit AB 2655
 (/docket/69172215/47/2/kohls-
 v-bonta/)

Att 3 Exhibit Hearing
 (/docket/69172215/47/3/kohls-
 v-bonta/)

Att 4 Exhibit Assembly
 (/docket/69172215/47/4/kohls-
 v-bonta/)

Att 5 Exhibit Senate
(/docket/69172215/47/5/kohls-v-bonta/)

Att 6 Exhibit Hearing on AB 2655
(/docket/69172215/47/6/kohls-v-bonta/)

Att 7 Exhibit Assembly Standing Committee
(/docket/69172215/47/7/kohls-v-bonta/)

Att 8 Exhibit Beat Biden
(/docket/69172215/47/8/kohls-v-bonta/)

Att 9 Exhibit Eliot Higgins
(/docket/69172215/47/9/kohls-v-bonta/)

Att 10 Exhibit @Kamala
(/docket/69172215/47/10/kohls-v-bonta/)

Att 11 Exhibit 57th
(/docket/69172215/47/11/kohls-v-bonta/)

Att 12 Exhibit Kamala Harris
(/docket/69172215/47/12/kohls-v-bonta/)

Att 13 Exhibit Elon Musk
(/docket/69172215/47/13/kohls-v-bonta/)

Att 14 Exhibit Gavin Newsom
(/docket/69172215/47/14/kohls-v-bonta/)

Att 15 Exhibit Hearing on AB 2655
(/docket/69172215/47/15/kohls-v-bonta/)

Att 16 Exhibit Wendy Seltzer
(/docket/69172215/47/16/kohls-v-bonta/)

Att 17 Exhibit Jennifer M. Urban, Joe Kerasi & Brianna Schofield
(/docket/69172215/47/17/kohls-v-bonta/)

Att 18 Exhibit Jennifer M. Urban & Laura O'Brien
(/docket/69172215/47/18/kohls-v-bonta/)

Att 19 Exhibit Alfred C. Yen
(/docket/69172215/47/19/kohls-v-bonta/)

Att 20 Exhibit Donald J. Trump
(/docket/69172215/47/20/kohls-v-bonta/)

Att 21 Exhibit Floyd Abrams
(/docket/69172215/47/21/kohls-v-bonta/)

Att 22 Exhibit Assembly Committee on
(/docket/69172215/47/22/kohls-v-bonta/)

Att 23 Exhibit Senate Judiciary Committee
(/docket/69172215/47/23/kohls-v-bonta/)

Att 24 Exhibit Senate Amended AB 2839
(/docket/69172215/47/24/kohls-v-bonta/)

Att 25 Exhibit Bill History
(/docket/69172215/47/25/kohls-v-bonta/)

Att 26 Exhibit 12 Minutes
(/docket/69172215/47/26/kohls-v-bonta/)

Att 27 Exhibit Frank J. Fleming
(/docket/69172215/47/27/kohls-v-bonta/)

Att 28 Exhibit Media on Demand
(/docket/69172215/47/28/kohls-v-bonta/)

Att 29 Declaration of Christopher Kohls
(/docket/69172215/47/29/kohls-v-bonta/)

Att 30 Declaration of Kelly Chang Rickert
(/docket/69172215/47/30/kohls-v-bonta/)

Att 31 Exhibit
(/docket/69172215/47/31/kohls-v-bonta/)

Att 32 Declaration of Seth Dillon
(/docket/69172215/47/32/kohls-v-bonta/)

Att 33 Exhibit
(/docket/69172215/47/33/kohls-v-bonta/)

46 Mar 7, 2025

PLAINTIFFS' MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT by Christopher Kohls, Kelly Chang Rickert, The Babylon Bee, LLC, X Corp.. Motion Hearing set for 8/5/2025 at 1:00 PM in Courtroom 6 (JAM) before Senior District Judge John A. Mendez. (Attachments: # 1 Memorandum, # 2 Proposed Order)(Kurtzberg, Joel) Modified on 3/12/2025 (AMW). (Entered: 03/07/2025)

Main Doc Motion for Summary Judgment
(/docket/69172215/46/kohls-v-bonta/)

Att 1 Memorandum in Support of Plaintiffs'
 (/docket/69172215/46/kohls-
 v-bonta/) AB

Att 2 Proposed Order
 (/docket/69172215/46/2/kohls-
 v-bonta/)

45 Mar 7, 2025 PLAINTIFFS' MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT by Christopher Kohls, Kelly Chang Rickert, The Babylon Bee, LLC. Motion Hearing set for 8/5/2025 at 1:00 PM in Courtroom 6 (JAM) before Senior District Judge John A. Mendez. (Attachments: # 1 Memorandum, # 2 Proposed Order)(Widmalm-Delphonse, Johannes) Modified on 3/12/2025 (AMW). (Entered: 03/07/2025)

Main Doc Motion for Summary Judgment
 (/docket/69172215/45/kohls-
 v-bonta/)

Att 1 Memorandum
 (/docket/69172215/45/1/kohls-
 v-bonta/)

Att 2 Proposed Order
 (/docket/69172215/45/2/kohls-
 v-bonta/)

53 Mar 18, 2025 REDACTED DECLARATION in support of 46 Motion for Summary Judgment filed by Plaintiffs. (Deputy Clerk KEZ) (Entered: 03/18/2025)

Main Doc Declaration

52 Mar 18, 2025 REDACTED DECLARATION in support of 46 Motion for Summary Judgment filed by Plaintiffs. (Deputy Clerk KEZ) (Entered: 03/18/2025)

Main Doc Declaration
 (/docket/69172215/52/kohls-
 v-bonta/)

51 Mar 18, 2025 SEALED EVENT (Attachments: # 1 Sealed Event, # 2 Sealed Event, # 3 Sealed Event, # 4 Sealed Event, # 5 Sealed Event, # 6 Sealed Event, # 7 Sealed Event, # 8 Sealed Event, # 9 Sealed Event, # 10 Sealed Event, # 11 Sealed Event, # 12 Sealed Event, # 13 Sealed Event, # 14 Sealed Event, # 15 Sealed Event, # 16 Sealed Event, # 17 Sealed Event, # 18 Sealed Event, # 19 Sealed Event, # 20 Sealed Event, # 21 Sealed Event, # 22 Sealed Event, # 23 Sealed Event, # 24 Sealed Event, # 25 Sealed Event, # 26 Sealed Event, # 27 Sealed Event, # 28 Sealed Event) (Deputy Clerk KEZ) (Entered: 03/18/2025)

Main Doc Sealed Event

50 Mar 18, 2025 ORDER signed by Senior District Judge John A. Mendez on 3/18/2025 GRANTING 48 Unopposed Request to Redact or Seal. (Deputy Clerk KEZ) (Entered: 03/18/2025)

Main Doc Order on Request to Seal
 (/docket/69172215/50/kohls-
 v-bonta/)

54 Mar 19, 2025 NOTICE OF LODGING DOCUMENT(S) ELECTRONICALLY by Christopher Kohls, Kelly Chang Rickert, Rumble Canada Inc., Rumble Inc., The Babylon Bee, LLC, X Corp.: Exhibits 2, 5, 7, 9, 10, 11, 14, 25, and 27 of the Kurtzberg Declaration in Support of Plaintiffs' Motions for Summary Judgment. (Kurtzberg, Joel) (Entered: 03/19/2025)

Main Doc Notice of Filing / Lodging Document
 (/docket/69172215/54/kohls-
 v-bonta/)

55 Mar 20, 2025 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT of USB from Christopher Kohls- routed to File room. (Text only entry) (Deputy Clerk VLC) (Entered: 03/20/2025)

Main Doc Acknowledgement of Receipt

56 Mar 21, 2025 REDACTED DECLARATION in support of 46 Motion for Summary Judgment. (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit 1 - Elected Officials California State Assembly, # 2 Exhibit 2 - BallotPedia Cities in California, # 3 Exhibit 3 - Global Affairs, X, # 4 Exhibit 4 - Authenticity, X, # 5 Exhibit 5 - Journal of the American Medical Association Article, # 6 Exhibit 6 - Forbes Article, # 7 Exhibit 7 - Renault Article, # 8 Exhibit 8 - Chuai Article, # 9 Exhibit 9 - Drolsbach Research Report, # 10 Exhibit 10 - Community Notes, # 11 Exhibit 11 - MyLordBebo Post, # 12 Exhibit 12 - Brookebay21 Post, # 13 Exhibit 13 - How to Identify AI Content on Meta Products, # 14 Exhibit 14 - Disclosing Use of Altered or Synthetic Content, YouTube, # 15 Exhibit 15 - About AI-Generated Content, TikTok, # 16 Exhibit 16 - Generative AI on Snapchat, # 17 Exhibit 17 - Google Search's Guidance About AI-Generated Content, # 18 Exhibit 18 - Civic Integrity Policy, X, # 19 Exhibit 19 - Misinformation, Meta, # 20 Exhibit 20 - Elections Misinformation Policies, YouTube, # 21 Exhibit 21 - Protecting Election Integrity in 2024, TikTok, # 22 Exhibit 22 - Harmful False or Deceptive Practices, Snapchat, # 23 Exhibit 23 - Political Content, Google Search)(Kurtzberg, Joel) (Entered: 03/21/2025)

Main Doc Declaration

58 Mar 27, 2025 MINUTE ORDER (Text Only Entry) issued by Courtroom Deputy for Senior District Judge John A. Mendez on 03/27/2025: The Court hereby GRANTS NetChoice's Consent Motion for Leave to Appear as Amicus Curiae in support of Plaintiffs' Motion for Summary Judgment. (ECF No. 57). NetChoice shall refile the Amicus Brief, attached to the motion as "Exhibit A," within five (5) days of this order. Amici curiae is advised that the Court will only consider briefing that helps the Court beyond the help the lawyers for the parties are able to provide; duplicative or cumulative arguments will not be considered. (Deputy Clerk MDY) (Entered: 03/27/2025)

Main Doc Minute Order

Mar 27, 2025 Minute Order AND Order on Motion for Miscellaneous Relief

57 Mar 27, 2025 MOTION Leave to Appear as Amicus Curiae by NetChoice. Attorney Benbrook, Bradley A. added. (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit Proposed Amicus Brief, # 2 Proposed Order)(Benbrook, Bradley) (Entered: 03/27/2025)

Main Doc Motion for Miscellaneous Relief

Att 1 Exhibit Proposed Amicus Brief
 (/docket/69172215/57/1/kohls-
 v-bonta/)

Att 2 Proposed Order

63 Mar 28, 2025 AMICUS CURIAE BRIEF in SUPPORT of Plaintiffs' 49 Motion for Summary Judgment filed by NetChoice. (Benbrook, Bradley) (Entered: 03/28/2025)

Main Doc Brief
 (/docket/69172215/63/kohls-
 v-bonta/)

62 Mar 28, 2025

PRO HAC VICE APPLICATION and PROPOSED ORDER submitted by NetChoice for attorney Joshua P. Morrow to appear Pro Hac Vice. (Filing fee \$ 300, receipt number ACAEDC-12124992) (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit Certificate of Good Standing) (Benbrook, Bradley) (Entered: 03/28/2025)

Main Doc Pro Hac Vice Application

- 61 Mar 28, 2025 PRO HAC VICE APPLICATION and PROPOSED ORDER submitted by NetChoice for attorney Jeremy Evan Maltz to appear Pro Hac Vice. (Filing fee \$ 300, receipt number ACAEDC-12124990) (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit Certificate of Good Standing) (Benbrook, Bradley) (Entered: 03/28/2025)
- Main Doc Pro Hac Vice Application
- 60 Mar 28, 2025 PRO HAC VICE APPLICATION and PROPOSED ORDER submitted by NetChoice for attorney Scott A. Keller to appear Pro Hac Vice. (Filing fee \$ 300, receipt number ACAEDC-12124987) (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit Scott A. Keller) (Benbrook, Bradley) (Entered: 03/28/2025)
- Main Doc Pro Hac Vice Application
- 59 Mar 28, 2025 PRO HAC VICE APPLICATION and PROPOSED ORDER submitted by NetChoice for attorney Steven P. Lehotsky to appear Pro Hac Vice. (Filing fee \$ 300, receipt number ACAEDC-12124983) (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit Certificate of Good Standing) (Benbrook, Bradley) (Entered: 03/28/2025)
- Main Doc Pro Hac Vice Application
- 67 Apr 3, 2025 ORDER signed by Senior District Judge John A. Mendez on 04/02/25 GRANTING 62 Application for Pro Hac Vice. Added attorney Joshua P. Morrow, PHV for NetChoice. The Pro Hac Vice attorney is directed to request electronic filing access through PACER. (Deputy Clerk VLC) (Entered: 04/03/2025)
- Main Doc Order on Application for Pro Hac Vice (/docket/69172215/67/kohls-v-bonta/)
- 66 Apr 3, 2025 ORDER signed by Senior District Judge John A. Mendez on 04/02/25 GRANTING 61 Application for Pro Hac Vice. Added attorney Jeremy Evan Maltz, PHV for NetChoice. The Pro Hac Vice attorney is directed to request electronic filing access through PACER. (Deputy Clerk VLC) (Entered: 04/03/2025)
- Main Doc Order on Application for Pro Hac Vice (/docket/69172215/66/kohls-v-bonta/)
- 65 Apr 3, 2025 ORDER signed by Senior District Judge John A. Mendez on 04/02/25 GRANTING 60 Application for Pro Hac Vice. Added attorney Scott A. Keller, PHV for NetChoice. The Pro Hac Vice attorney is directed to request electronic filing access through PACER. (Deputy Clerk VLC) (Entered: 04/03/2025)
- Main Doc Order on Application for Pro Hac Vice (/docket/69172215/65/kohls-v-bonta/)
- 64 Apr 3, 2025 ORDER signed by Senior District Judge John A. Mendez on 04/02/25 GRANTING 59 Application for Pro Hac Vice. Added attorney Steven P. Lehotsky, PHV for NetChoice. The Pro Hac Vice attorney is directed to request electronic filing access through PACER. (Deputy Clerk VLC) (Entered: 04/03/2025)
- Main Doc Order on Application for Pro Hac Vice (/docket/69172215/64/kohls-v-bonta/)
- 69 Apr 18, 2025

MOTION to INTERVENE as Amicus Curiae by Electronic Privacy Information Center. (Attachments: # 1 Proposed Order, # 2 Proposed Amicus Brief)(Butler, Alan) (Entered: 04/18/2025)

Main Doc Motion to Intervene

Att 2

(/docket/69172215/69/2/kohls-v-bonta/)

68 Apr 18, 2025 PRO HAC VICE APPLICATION and PROPOSED ORDER submitted by Electronic Privacy Information Center for attorney Mason Kortz to appear Pro Hac Vice. Attorney Butler, Alan added. (Filing fee \$ 300, receipt number ACAEDC-12167464) (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit Certificate of Good Standing) (Butler, Alan) (Entered: 04/18/2025)

Main Doc Pro Hac Vice Application

71 Apr 21, 2025 MINUTE ORDER (Text Only Entry) issued by Courtroom Deputy for Senior District Judge John A. Mendez on 04/21/2025: The Court hereby GRANTS Electronic Privacy Information Center's Consent Motion for Leave to File Brief as Amicus Curiae in support of Defendants' Motion for Summary Judgment. (ECF No. 69). Electronic Privacy Information Center shall refile the Amicus Brief, attached to the motion at ECF No. 69 -2, within five (5) days of this order. Amici curiae is advised that the Court will only consider briefing that helps the Court beyond the help the lawyers for the parties are able to provide; duplicative or cumulative arguments will not be considered. (Deputy Clerk MDY) (Entered: 04/21/2025)

Main Doc Minute Order

Apr 21, 2025

Minute Order AND Order on Motion to Intervene

70 Apr 21, 2025 PRO HAC VICE ORDER signed by Senior District Judge John A. Mendez on 04/18/25 GRANTING 68 Application for Pro Hac Vice. Added Attorney Mason A. Kortz, PHV for Electronic Privacy Information Center. The Pro Hac Vice Attorney is directed to request electronic filing access through PACER. (Deputy Clerk KML) (Entered: 04/21/2025)

Main Doc Order on Application for Pro Hac Vice
(/docket/69172215/70/kohls-v-bonta/)

72 Apr 22, 2025 AMICUS CURIAE BRIEF in SUPPORT of Defendants 49 Motion for Summary Judgment filed by Electronic Privacy Information Center. (Kortz, Mason) Modified on 4/23/2025 (KML). (Entered: 04/22/2025)

Main Doc Brief
(/docket/69172215/72/kohls-v-bonta/)

73 May 22, 2025 CORPORATE DISCLOSURE STATEMENT by Plaintiff X Corp.. (Kurtzberg, Joel) (Entered: 05/22/2025)

Main Doc Corporate Disclosure Statement
(/docket/69172215/73/kohls-v-bonta/)

74 May 28, 2025 NOTICE of ERRATA by Christopher Kohls, Kelly Chang Rickert, The Babylon Bee, LLC re 45 Motion for Summary Judgment. (Attachments: # 1 [Corrected] Plaintiffs Memorandum in Support of Motion for Summary Judgment Against AB 2839) (Widmalm-Delphonse, Johannes) (Entered: 05/28/2025)

Main Doc Notice of Errata

75 Jun 4, 2025

MOTION for Leave to file amicus curiae brief by Campaign Legal Center. Attorney McAllen, Megan Patricia added. (Attachments: # 1 Proposed Amicus Brief, # 2 Proposed Order)(McAllen, Megan) Modified on 6/5/2025 (KEZ). (Entered: 06/04/2025)

Main Doc

Motion for Miscellaneous Relief

83	Jun 6, 2025	Main Doc	Response (/docket/69172215/83/kohls-v-bonta/)
	Jun 6, 2025	Minute Order AND Order on Motion for Miscellaneous Relief AND ~Util - 1 Set/Reset Deadlines and Hearings	
82	Jun 6, 2025	Main Doc	Opposition to Motion
81	Jun 6, 2025	Main Doc	Opposition to Motion
80	Jun 6, 2025	Main Doc	Response
79	Jun 6, 2025	Main Doc	Opposition to Motion
78	Jun 6, 2025	Main Doc	Response (/docket/69172215/78/kohls-v-bonta/)
77	Jun 6, 2025	Main Doc	Brief (/docket/69172215/77/kohls-v-bonta/)
76	Jun 6, 2025	MINUTE ORDER (Text Only Entry) issued by Courtroom Deputy for Senior District Judge John A. Mendez on 06/06/2025: The Court hereby GRANTS Campaign Legal Center's Motion for Leave to File Brief as Amicus Curiae in Support of Defendants' Motion for Summary Judgment (ECF No. 75). Campaign Legal Center shall refile the Amicus Brief, attached to the motion at ECF No. 75 -1, within five (5) days of this order. Amici curiae is advised that the Court will only consider briefing that helps the Court beyond the help the lawyers for the parties are able to provide; duplicative or cumulative arguments will not be considered. (Deputy Clerk MDY) (Entered: 06/06/2025)	
		Main Doc	Minute Order
84	Jun 11, 2025	Main Doc	Pro Hac Vice Application
85	Jun 12, 2025	PRO HAC VICE ORDER signed by Senior District Judge John A. Mendez on 6/12/2025 GRANTING 84 Application for Pro Hac Vice. Added attorney Elizabeth D. Shimek, PHV for Campaign Legal Center. The Pro Hac Vice attorney is directed to request electronic filing access through PACER. (Deputy Clerk AMW)	
		Main Doc	Order on Application for Pro Hac Vice (/docket/69172215/85/kohls-v-bonta/)