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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**

**JOLINE TAPIA, as Executor of the Estate of  
DR. ROBERT S. KENT,**

**Plaintiff,**

**v.**

**JOSEPH S. ROMANCE, et al.,**

**Defendants.**

**1:18-cv-00179-LJO-JLT**

**DECISION AND ORDER  
DISCHARGING ORDER TO SHOW  
CAUSE (ECF No. 23)**

12 Plaintiff filed his complaint in this matter on February 4, 2018. ECF No. 1. On June 12, 2018,  
13 Defendant filed a motion to dismiss. ECF No. 18. On August 1, 2018, the Court granted the motion to  
14 dismiss and ordered Plaintiff's former attorney, Joseph Gonzalez, to show cause why he should not be  
15 subject to sanctions under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 11 for filing a complaint alleging criminal  
16 causes of action in this civil matter. ECF No. 23. Mr. Gonzalez filed a response on August 24, 2018,  
17 ECF No. 26, which the Court has reviewed. The Court deems Mr. Gonzalez's explanation reasonable,  
18 and accepts that he had no intention of slighting either the law or this Court. Accordingly, the August 1,  
19 2018, order to show cause is DISCHARGED. The case is and shall remain closed.

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21 IT IS SO ORDERED.

22 Dated: August 30, 2018

/s/ Lawrence J. O'Neill  
UNITED STATES CHIEF DISTRICT JUDGE