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| 10 | WILLIAMS & COCHRANE, LLP, | Case No.: 17-CV-01436-GPC-MSB |
| 12 | Plaintiff, | |
| 13 | v. | ORDER REJECTING PLAINTIFF'S AMENDED MOTION FOR |
| 14 | ROBERT ROSETTE; ROSETTE & | JUDGMENT ON THE PLEADINGS |
| 15 | ASSOCIATES, PC; ROSETTE, LLP; | [ECF No. 235] |
| 16 | QUECHAN TRIBE OF THE FORT YUMA INDIAN RESERVATION, a | |
| 17 | federally-recognized Indian tribe; and DOES 1 THROUGH 100, | |
| 18 | DOES I THROUGH 100, Defendant. | |
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| 20 | Plaintiff Williams & Cochrane, LLP's ("Plaintiff") filed, without permission of the | |
| 21 | Court, an amended motion for judgment on the pleadings on October 22, 2019. ECF No. | |
| 22 | 235. The original motion for judgment on the pleadings was filed on October 2, 2019. | |
| 23 | ECF No. 227. | |
| 24 | Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure ("Rule") 15(a), "a party may amend its | |
| 25 | pleading once as a matter of course at any time before a responsive pleading is filed." | |
| 26 | Fed. R. Civ. P. 15(a). Rule 15(a) specifically provides that a party may amend a | |
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"pleading" and this term "must be interpreted in conjunction with Rule 7(a)," which enumerates the pleadings permitted in federal practice as follows: a complaint, an answer to the complaint, an answer to a counterclaim, an answer to a crossclaim, a third-party complaint, an answer to a third-party complaint, and, pursuant to court order, a reply to an answer. 6 Charles Alan Wright & Arthur R. Miller, *Federal Practice and Procedure*, § 1475 (3d ed.). While Rule 15(a) applies to each of the aforementioned pleadings, its application does not extend to motions. *See Albany Ins. Co. v. Almacenadora Somex*, *S.A.*, 5 F.3d 907, 911 (5th Cir. 1993).

Accordingly, Plaintiff's amended motion for judgment on the pleadings is **STRICKEN**. Plaintiff's original motion for judgment on the pleadings, ECF No. 227, remains the operative motion. The deadlines listed in the order setting the briefing schedule on the original motion, ECF No. 229, remain operative. The hearing on this matter shall remain scheduled for January 10, 2020 at 1:30 PM in Courtroom 2D.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: November 13, 2019

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Hon. Gonzalo P. Curiel United States District Judge