

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

SHINGLE SPRINGS BAND OF MIWOK  
INDIANS,

Plaintiff,

v.

CESAR CABALLERO,

Defendant.

No. 2:08-CV-03133-JAM-DAD

**ORDER GRANTING SHINGLE SPRINGS  
BAND OF MIWOK INDIANS' MOTION  
FOR PARTIAL SUMMARY JUDGMENT  
AND ENTRY OF PERMANENT  
INJUNCTION**

The unopposed Motion of Plaintiff Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians ("Tribe") for Partial Summary Judgment and Entry of Permanent Injunction was noticed for hearing on February 6, 2013. The Court determined that no hearing was required pursuant to Local Rule 230(g). After considering Plaintiff's papers, and all other matters presented to the Court, and good cause appearing therefor, the Court rules as follows:

THE COURT HEREBY FINDS THAT, for the reasons set forth in the Tribe's moving papers, no genuine issue of material fact exists, and the Tribe is entitled to partial summary judgment in its favor, as to the Tribe's First, Second, Fourth, and Fifth

1 Causes of Action, and as to its unfair competition claim under  
2 its Third Cause of Action, and to an order entering a permanent  
3 injunction against Defendant Cesar Caballero.

4 THE COURT FURTHER FINDS THAT, as between the parties, the  
5 Tribe has superior rights to use the following marks in any  
6 format, regardless of spacing and capitalization, (collectively  
7 the "Marks"): "Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians," "Shingle  
8 Springs Rancheria," "Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians,  
9 Shingle Springs Rancheria (Verona Tract), California," "Red Hawk  
10 Casino," "Shingle Springs Miwok Tribe," "Shingle Springs Miwok  
11 Chief," "Shingle Springs Reservation," "Shingle Springs Indian  
12 Reservation," marks that consist of or include the terms "Shingle  
13 Springs" and "Band(s)," marks that consist of or include the  
14 terms "Shingle Springs" and "Miwok(s)," marks that consist of or  
15 include the terms "Shingle Springs" and "Indian(s)," and any  
16 other marks confusingly similar to "Shingle Springs Band of Miwok  
17 Indians," "Shingle Springs Rancheria," "Shingle Springs Band of  
18 Miwok Indians, Shingle Springs Rancheria (Verona Tract),  
19 California," or "Red Hawk Casino."

20 THE COURT FURTHER FINDS THAT the Tribe is entitled to  
21 summary judgment on its First, Second, Third, and Fourth Causes  
22 of Action because no genuine dispute exists that (1) the Tribe  
23 owns the Marks, (2) the Tribe is the senior holder of the Marks,  
24 and (3) Caballero's use of the Marks and confusingly similar  
25 terms is likely to cause confusion in the marketplace. The Court  
26 specifically finds that (1) Caballero's use of the exact marks  
27 "Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians," "Shingle Springs  
28 Rancheria," and "Red Hawk Casino" is likely to cause confusion in

1 the marketplace; (2) Caballero's use of "Shingle Springs Miwok  
2 Tribe," "Shingle Springs Miwok Chief," "Shingle Springs  
3 Reservation," "Shingle Springs Indian Reservation" is likely to  
4 cause confusion in the marketplace; and (3) Caballero's use of  
5 any other marks that consist of or include the terms "Shingle  
6 Springs" and "Band(s)," marks that consist of or include the  
7 terms "Shingle Springs" and "Miwok(s)," marks that consist of or  
8 include the terms "Shingle Springs" and "Indian(s)," is likely to  
9 cause confusion in the marketplace.

10 THE COURT FURTHER FINDS THAT the Tribe is entitled to  
11 summary judgment on its Fifth Cause of Action because no genuine  
12 dispute exists that Caballero has, with a bad faith intent to  
13 profit, registered, trafficked in, or used domain names that are  
14 identical or confusingly similar to the Tribe's distinctive  
15 Marks.

16 THE COURT FURTHER FINDS THAT no genuine dispute exists that  
17 prevailing on these claims entitles the Tribe to permanent  
18 injunctive relief because (1) Caballero's conduct has caused the  
19 Tribe irreparable injury; (2) remedies available at law, such as  
20 monetary damages, are inadequate to compensate for that injury;  
21 (3) considering the balance of hardships between the Tribe and  
22 Caballero, a remedy in equity is warranted; and (4) the public  
23 interest would not be disserved by a permanent injunction.

24 THE COURT FURTHER FINDS THAT, good cause exists for an  
25 order, pursuant to Rule 41(a)(2) of the Federal Rules of Civil  
26 Procedure, (1) dismissing the Tribe's remaining claims, including  
27 all claims for compensatory and punitive damages, without  
28 prejudice, and (2) preserving the right of the Tribe to reassert

1 those claims within thirty-six months after entry of judgment  
2 (relating back to the date of the original complaint) if  
3 Caballero appeals the judgment or fails to comply with the  
4 Court's injunction. The Court finds that Caballero will suffer  
5 no legal prejudice from such a dismissal.

6 It is, therefore:

7 1. ORDERED that the Tribe's Motion for Partial Summary  
8 Judgment and Entry of Permanent Injunction is granted. Summary  
9 judgment is hereby entered in the Tribe's favor and against  
10 Caballero as to the Tribe's First, Second, Fourth, and Fifth  
11 Causes of Action, and as to its unfair competition claim under  
12 its Third Cause of Action. There is no just cause to delay  
13 enforcement or appeal of this order.

14 2. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED THAT a permanent injunction  
15 hereby issues, effective immediately, as follows:

16 Caballero and any other persons or entities acting under his  
17 direct control or at his direction are permanently enjoined and  
18 restrained from:

- 19 a. Reproducing, copying, counterfeiting, colorably  
20 imitating, or otherwise using in any way without the  
21 express written consent of the Tribe, the Marks.
- 22 b. Registering or applying to register any of the Marks  
23 anywhere in the world.
- 24 c. Opposing, bringing any action against, contesting or  
25 challenging the validity of, or the Tribe's use or  
26 ownership of, any of the Marks or any of the Tribe's  
27 application(s) to register or registration(s) for any  
28 of the Marks anywhere in the world.

- d. Circulating advertising or promotional literature, or advertising any product or service, bearing the Marks.
- e. Representing that Caballero is in any way associated or affiliated with, or authorized, approved, or licensed by, the Tribe.
- f. Representing that Caballero has ownership of, authority or control over, or entitlement to, the Tribe's personal property, real property, artifacts or human remains, trust land held for the Tribe, assets of any kind, members, government or business operations, business ventures, customers, employees, officers, or agents of the Tribe, including, but not limited to, those of the Shingle Springs Community Health Clinic and/or the Red Hawk Casino.
- g. Running, or otherwise distributing any television, radio, print, Internet, electronic correspondence or other ads containing the Marks.
- h. Using the Marks on <ShingleSpringsReservation.com>, <ShingleSpringsMiwokTribe.com>, <ShingleSpringsReservation.org>, <ShingleSpringsRancheria.org>, <ShingleSpringsMiwokTribe.org>, <ShingleSpringsIndianReservation.com>, <RedHawkCasino.info>, <RedHawkCasino.net>, <RedHawkCasino.org>, <ShingleSpringsReservation.info>, <ShingleSpringsReservation.biz>, <ShingleSpringsMiwokTribe.info>, <facebook.com>, <Myspace.com>, <Photobucket.com>, including but not

1 limited to "championindian's album,"  
2 <[www.championindian.com](http://www.championindian.com)>, <[wildfireprotest.org](http://wildfireprotest.org)>,  
3 <[mewuktribe.com](http://mewuktribe.com)> <[Twitter.com](http://Twitter.com)>, including but not  
4 limited to the Myspace AmericanIndians, MiwokTribe and  
5 ChampionIndian pages, <[YouTube.com](http://YouTube.com)>, including but not  
6 limited to the Miwok Promotions channel, and any other  
7 websites or web pages in Caballero's control.

8 i. Registering, trafficking, or using any domain name  
9 incorporating the Marks or any variation or derivative  
10 thereof, singly, or in combination with any other word  
11 or symbol, or any other domain name confusingly similar  
12 to the Marks, including, but not limited to, any domain  
13 name containing, regardless of capitalization,  
14 "ShingleSpringsMiwokTribe,"  
15 "ShingleSpringsReservation," "ShingleSpringsRancheria,"  
16 "ShingleSpringsIndianReservation," "RedHawkCasino," and  
17 all Caballero's present active and inactive domain  
18 names, or those of his affiliates, that incorporate the  
19 Marks;

20 j. Using any DVDs that use the Marks.

21 k. Distributing in any manner any video, audio, or image  
22 that uses the Marks, or causing or permitting anyone to  
23 use his voice, name or likeness in connection with any  
24 video, audio, or image that uses the Marks.

25 l. Using any publicity and marketing materials, including  
26 flyers, pamphlets, and other such materials that  
27 contain instances of the Marks.  
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1 m. Using any plaques or other signs that contain the  
2 Marks.

3 n. Using the Marks on any deeds, titles, contracts, public  
4 records, or other such documents, including but not  
5 limited to any fictitious business name statement,  
6 business license, or tax identification document  
7 anywhere in the world.

8 o. Holding or using a bank account, checks, credit card,  
9 debit card or other financial product under any name  
10 containing the Marks.

11 p. This injunction does not preclude Mr. Caballero from  
12 petitioning the Department of Interior for federal  
13 recognition for any tribal entity he represents, so  
14 long as he does not misrepresent that he is authorized  
15 to speak or act for the Tribe;

16 3. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED THAT Caballero shall, within 60  
17 days:

18 a. Deliver for destruction all articles of merchandise,  
19 displays, signs, plaques, advertisements, packaging,  
20 brochures, order forms, price lists, or any other  
21 materials in Defendant's possession or control or in  
22 the possession or control of Defendant's agents which  
23 bear the marks "Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians,"  
24 "Shingle Springs Rancheria," "Shingle Springs  
25 Reservation," "Shingle Springs Gaming Commission," "Red  
26 Hawk Casino," or any other confusingly similar marks.

27 b. Abandon, withdraw, or otherwise terminate the legal  
28 effect of any fictitious business name statements,

business licenses, public records, or other such documents that he may have filed in any jurisdiction, as to which he has used "Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians," "Shingle Springs Rancheria," "Shingle Springs Reservation," "Shingle Springs Gaming Commission," "Red Hawk Casino," or any other confusingly similar name.

c. Close any bank account, credit card account, debit card account, or other account held under any name containing the Marks, including but not limited to accounts held with El Dorado Savings Bank, JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., and Washington Mutual under the name "Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians" or "Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Tribe," or permanently change all names and account titles associated with such accounts to names that do not contain the Marks; destroy all checks, credit cards, and debit cards that bear any name or account title containing the Marks; and destroy all documents associated with those accounts that bear any name or account title containing the Marks or permanently redact all instances of the Marks from such documents.

d. Remove the Marks from any websites or web pages in Caballero's control, including but not limited to removing "www.shinglespringsreservation.info" from the "championindian" Twitter page, available at <https://twitter.com/championindian>.

e. Take any action available under the law, including but not limited to asserting and enforcing rights under



1 California Civil Code, section 3344, or any other law  
2 prohibiting use of his name, voice, or likeness without  
3 his consent, to prevent distribution and display of any  
4 video, advertisement, or other material containing the  
5 Marks.

6 4. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED THAT Caballero must transfer to  
7 the Tribe, at his own cost, the following domain names  
8 ("Infringing Domains"):

9 <[ShingleSpringsMiwokTribe.com](http://ShingleSpringsMiwokTribe.com)>

10 <[ShingleSpringsReservation.com](http://ShingleSpringsReservation.com)>

11 <[ShingleSpringsReservation.org](http://ShingleSpringsReservation.org)>

12 <[ShingleSpringsRancheria.org](http://ShingleSpringsRancheria.org)>

13 <[ShingleSpringsMiwokTribe.org](http://ShingleSpringsMiwokTribe.org)>

14 <[ShingleSpringsIndianReservation.com](http://ShingleSpringsIndianReservation.com)>

15 <[RedHawkCasino.info](http://RedHawkCasino.info)>

16 <[RedHawkCasino.net](http://RedHawkCasino.net)>

17 <[RedHawkCasino.org](http://RedHawkCasino.org)>

18 <[ShingleSpringsReservation.info](http://ShingleSpringsReservation.info)>

19 <[ShingleSpringsReservation.biz](http://ShingleSpringsReservation.biz)>

20 <[ShingleSpringsMiwokTribe.info](http://ShingleSpringsMiwokTribe.info)>

21 5. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED THAT Caballero shall file with  
22 this Court, and serve on the Tribe within 60 days after this  
23 Order is filed, a report in writing, under oath, setting forth  
24 in detail the manner and form in which Caballero has acted to  
25 comply with all of the foregoing requirements

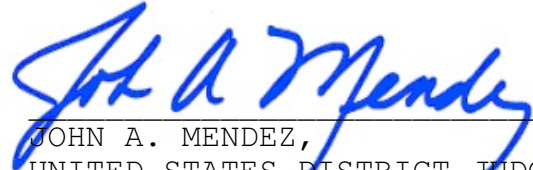
26 6. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED THAT the Tribe's remaining  
27 claims, including all claims for damages, are hereby dismissed,  
28 without prejudice. The Tribe may reassert those claims within

1 thirty-six months after entry of judgment (relating back to the  
2 date of the Tribe's original complaint) if Caballero appeals  
3 the judgment or if Caballero fails to comply with any provision  
4 of this Order.

5 7. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED THAT judgment shall be entered  
6 consistent with this Order.

7 IT IS SO ORDERED.

8 Dated: February 7, 2013

  
9 JOHN A. MENDEZ,  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE