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CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE  
Part 4. Miscellaneous Provisions  
Title 4. Civil Discovery Act  
Chapter 5. Methods and Sequence of Discovery  
Article 1. General Provisions

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*Cal Code Civ Proc § 2019.030 (2014)*

**§ 2019.030. When frequency or extent of discovery may be restricted; Motion for protective order; Monetary sanction**

(a) The court shall restrict the frequency or extent of use of a discovery method provided in Section 2019.010 if it determines either of the following:

(1) The discovery sought is unreasonably cumulative or duplicative, or is obtainable from some other source that is more convenient, less burdensome, or less expensive.

(2) The selected method of discovery is unduly burdensome or expensive, taking into account the needs of the case, the amount in controversy, and the importance of the issues at stake in the litigation.

(b) The court may make these determinations pursuant to a motion for a protective order by a party or other affected person. This motion shall be accompanied by a meet and confer declaration under Section 2016.040.

(c) The court shall impose a monetary sanction under Chapter 7 (commencing with Section 2023.010) against any party, person, or attorney who unsuccessfully makes or opposes a motion for a protective order, unless it finds that the one subject to the sanction acted with substantial justification or that other circumstances make the imposition of the sanction unjust.