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## The Santa Clara County Superior Court to Expand Judicial Proceedings and Court Operations in May

## **EXPANDED JUDICIAL PROCEEDINGS AND COURT OPERATIONS:**

During the month of May, the Santa Clara County Superior Court will be adding additional judicial proceedings to its current limited operations. The Court has updated its <u>Judicial Proceedings / Court Hearings</u> information to reflect the addition of these new calendars in Civil, Criminal, Family, and Juvenile divisions. Information regarding changes to court operations will be updated frequently; please visit the <u>Changes to Court Operations</u> section of our site for the most current information.

"At the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic, the Court reduced the number of hearings and limited operations in an effort to protect the health and safety of our community. As we move into the third month of Shelter-In-Place, the Court continues to look closely at how we may expand our operations to address the legal needs of our community and provide access to justice for Santa Clara County residents," said Presiding Judge Deborah A. Ryan. "Our Court has been in close and regular contact with our county justice partners and local bar associations to keep them updated with changes to court operations. The public can continue to find the most up-to-date information available on <u>our Court's website</u>."

## **NEW GENERAL ORDERS:**

- Wednesday, April 29, 2020, <u>General Orders</u> outlining holidays for purposes of computing time for filing papers with the Court.
- Friday, May 1, 2020, <u>Implementation Order</u> extending deadlines for preliminary examinations and arraignments.
- Friday, May 1, 2020, <u>General Order</u> releasing holds on driver's licenses for individuals arranging a payment plan. See the <u>press release</u> for additional information.
- Thursday, May 7, 2020, General Order regarding Complex Civil actions.
- Friday, May 8, 2020, General Order on court operations.

