

**Superior Court of California
County of Santa Clara**

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REBECCA J. FLEMING, Chief Executive Officer



NOTICE

**INFORMATION REGARDING CIVIL DIVISION OPERATIONS
DURING COVID-19 PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY (APRIL 30, 2020)**

On March 16, 2020, the County of Santa Clara Public Health Officer issued an order directing all individuals living in Santa Clara County to shelter at their place of residence except that they may leave to provide or receive essential services or engage in certain essential activities and work for essential businesses and governmental services to mitigate the spread of COVID-19. The Public Health Officer has extended these directives.

In order to effectuate the Public Health Officer's order while also continuing to provide essential services, the Civil Division shall operate in the following manner until further notice:

1. Pursuant to the General Orders implementing emergency relief issued by Presiding Judge Deborah A. Ryan, the periods from March 17, 2020, to March 27, 2020, inclusive, and March 30th and April 28, 2020, and April 29 and May 29, 2020, inclusive, are deemed holidays for purposes of computing time for filing papers with the court.

2. All civil trials scheduled between Tuesday, March 17, 2020, through Thursday July 30, 2020, are hereby vacated. Trials originally scheduled during this period will be re-scheduled to a Trial Setting Conference. Discovery deadlines shall be re-set with the new trial date. The court will provide notice of the Trial Setting Conference date.

When normal operations resume, the court will set new trial dates for all affected cases, taking into consideration the original trial date, the exigency of the subject matter, and any statutory priority.

3. Mandatory settlement conferences scheduled between March 17, 2020, through July 30, 2020, are hereby vacated. When normal operations resume, the court will set new mandatory settlement conference dates.

4. All law and motion matters scheduled between March 17, 2020, through May 18, 2020, are hereby continued. Please check tentative rulings and follow the instructions provided by the Department.

Parties and counsel are strongly encouraged to arrange for telephonic appearances through CourtCall. A public access phone line will be provided for listen-only participants.

5. Most Status Conferences, OSCs, Dismissal Conferences, Return from Mediation Conferences and Case Management Conferences scheduled between March 17, 2020, through May 31, 2020, are hereby continued. The court will send notice of a re-scheduled dates.

6. Unlawful Detainer filings are currently not accepted and will be returned to the filing party.