

January 12, 2022

TO: All Interested Parties
FROM: Leland Davis, III, Presiding Judge
Elizabeth K. Lee, Assistant Presiding Judge
RE: Eighteenth Court Emergency Response **Calendar Memo Order** to Novel
Coronavirus Pandemic

The number of people testing positive for the COVID-19 virus continues to rise at an alarming rate. The Court and many of its justice partners are experiencing severe staff shortages. These staff shortages have made it necessary for the Court to modify its calendars in certain respects. The Court remains steadfast in its determination to balance its obligation to provide services to the public alongside its responsibility to protect its employees and the public to the greatest extent possible. With this in mind, the Court has decided to issue this Eighteenth Court Emergency Response Calendar Memo Order. Effective immediately:

- All jury trials, with the exception of those trials wherein a jury has already been sworn, are suspended.
- All Preliminary Hearing Calendars will be heard in Redwood City. There will be a combined 9:00 A.M. and 2:00 P.M. Preliminary Hearing Calendar (SSF & RWC) heard Monday through Friday in Courtroom 8B.
- All Small Claims Calendars, including all Small Claims Night Court Calendars, are suspended.
- All Traffic Arraignment Calendars are suspended.
- All Traffic Court Trial Calendars are suspended.
- All Traffic Night Court Calendars are suspended.
- Remote appearances will be mandatory for the Family Law Short Cause, RFO, Status Conference and MSC calendars.
- In-person appearances will only be allowed on the Family Law DVPA/TRO Hearing calendars.
- Public access to the proceedings being heard in the Family Law courtrooms will be available by Zoom.
- In-person appearances will only be allowed in the following Probate matters: Appointment of Conservator; Appointment of Guardian; Request for Orders to Stop Elder or Dependent Adult Abuse; Petition for Special Immigrant Findings; and Report of Sale/Petition for Order to Confirm Sale of Real Property; Remote appearances will be mandatory in all other Probate matters.
- Public access to the proceedings being heard in the Probate courtroom will be available by Zoom.

This Order shall remain in effect through January 31, 2022. The Court retains the authority and the discretion to alter this Order should circumstances suggest that a change is necessary.

Leland Davis, III
Presiding Judge
San Mateo County Superior Court