



Superior Court of California

COUNTY OF VENTURA
Hall of Justice
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VENTURA SUPERIOR COURT ADOPTS ADDITIONAL PROCEDURES IN RESPONSE TO SURGE IN COVID-19 CASES

In response to the current surge in the number of Ventura County COVID-19 cases due to the Omicron variant, , the Ventura Superior Court has implemented certain additional procedures to continue to protect the health and safety of all court staff and the public.

All face mask requirements remain in effect. The court reinstates the requirement that all persons in the courthouses comply with six (6) feet of social distancing at all times.

Access to all courtroom proceedings is now limited to summoned jurors, parties, their attorneys, witnesses subpoenaed to testify, one support person statutorily permitted to accompany a person seeking a temporary restraining order, and news media subject to prior approval under the procedures outlined in California Rules of Court, and Ventura County Superior Court rule 26.

To allow for continued public access, the court will broadcast live audio streams of certain court proceedings via the links available on the court website. Each judge retains the discretion and authority to refuse, limit or terminate such broadcasts pursuant to California Rules of Court. Livestreamed court proceedings may not be photographed, recorded, or re-broadcast by anyone without prior written judicial authorization.

The court has discontinued walk-in appointments for court services. Appointments must be made for Civil, Family Law, Small Claims, Appeals, Mental Health, Juvenile, and Probate clerk's offices, as well as Records and Exhibits, Self-Help Center, Collections and Family Law Mediation using the court website at ventura.courts.ca.gov.

Criminal, Traffic and Collections Filings/Payments remain open on the Northside of the Hall of Justice at the outside walk-up windows, (Ventura courthouse, entrance next to the 126 freeway), and on the Southside of the Simi Valley Courthouse. No appointment is required.

Documents may be submitted through eDelivery, United States mail, or drop boxes located at the Hall of Justice and Juvenile Courthouse. Documents received by 4:00 p.m. and accepted for filing will be filed the same business day.

For additional information please visit the court's website at ventura.courts.ca.gov and click on Amended Administrative order 21.25.

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