



Superior Court of California

COUNTY OF VENTURA
Hall of Justice
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VENTURA SUPERIOR COURT IMPLEMENTS LIMITED CLOSURE 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 will be implementing a limited court closure, effective Tuesday, January 11, 2022, through January 31, 2022. All Ventura Superior Court courtrooms and clerk's offices will be closed, except for essential emergency matters and time sensitive essential functions.

Courtrooms remaining open will include:

- Criminal courtrooms hearing in-custody matters only
- One Family Law courtroom for all types of emergency restraining orders, other emergency orders and hearings currently calendared in Courtroom 34 for permanent restraining orders
- The off-site Mental Health courtrooms
- One Juvenile Delinquency courtroom
- One Juvenile Dependency courtroom
- One courtroom at the Juvenile Courthouse on Fridays, only, for probate, conservatorship and guardianship emergency ex parte matters
- One Civil courtroom on Tuesdays and Fridays, only, for emergency ex parte temporary restraining orders (excluding civil harassment), emergency Orders to Show Cause re: Preliminary Injunction or emergency Unlawful Detainer requests for Stay of Execution or Relief from Forfeiture

Parties seeking emergency orders in Family, Civil or Probate are required to reserve an emergency ex parte hearing by contacting the judicial secretary for the department and following the instructions on the court's website regarding the submission of papers.

Parties are strongly encouraged to appear by Zoom in Family and Probate and CourtCall in Civil. Civil Mandatory Settlement Conferences will remain on calendar, as set forth in the Administrative Order.

There will be no in-person appointments for the clerk's offices, Records & Exhibits Department or self-help centers during the closure.

E-Delivery for Civil, Family Law, Probate, and Small Claims filing is suspended and unavailable during the closure. The drop boxes are also unavailable.

Traffic and Collections 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 East County Courthouse in Simi Valley. No other services are available at the walk-up windows.

For additional information please visit the court's website at ventura.courts.ca.gov and click on Amended Administrative order 22.02.

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