

March 20, 2020

Please see below for a current status of each California Court, given the Coronavirus Pandemic. **Current updates are highlighted.**

As this information changes so quickly, please click the county name to go to that county's Superior Court website for current information. Information regarding the California Courts of Appeal and the United States District Courts of California follow the county court information.

Although we have attempted to provide the most current information based upon courts' press releases and orders, you may wish to double check whether hearings are going forward as to your individual case. Thank you.

- All emergency orders signed by the Chief Justice of the California Supreme Court can be found at: <https://newsroom.courts.ca.gov/news/court-emergency-orders-6794321>

Alameda (March 18): The court is "closed to the public for most Court operations from March 17 through April 7." [More](#) "All civil jury trials currently set between March 16 and April 3 will be continued for eight weeks from the currently scheduled trial date." [More](#)

Alpine (March 17): "All scheduled court hearings, with the exception of criminal matters that have statutory time constraints, will be rescheduled to May 2020. The court encourages a reduction in all non-essential hearings, the use of court-call in lieu of personal appearances, and any other measures to minimize the risks associated with personal contact during the current national health crisis." [More](#)

Amador (March 17): "For the period of March 16 to March 31 the Court will postpone all Civil Jury Trials to a future date." [More](#)

Butte (March 18): "Effective March 18, 2020 to May 20, 2020, access to the courthouse is limited to only those individuals who have business in the court, as described [here](#)."

Calaveras (March 17): Effective March 19, 2020, all clerk's counters will be closed to the public.

Colusa (March 19): "The Court will be closed for two weeks, from Friday March 20, 2020 through Friday, April 3, 2020." [More](#)

Contra Costa (March 16): "The Contra Costa Superior Court will be closed at all locations for approximately two weeks beginning March 16. Court locations hope to reopen April 1." [More](#)

Del Norte (March 19): "Implementation Order issued for court closure March 20, 2020 through April 1, 2020, inclusive . . ."

El Dorado (March 17): "Effective March 16 all Clerk's Counters will be closed to the public in all Court facilities." [More](#)

Fresno (March 18): "From March 19, 2020 until April 3, 2020 inclusive, all courtrooms will remain closed for judicial business except for time sensitive and essential functions . . ." [More](#)

Glenn (March 20) : "Effective March 20, 2020 to May 18, 2020, access to the courthouse is limited to only those individuals who have business with the court as described . . ." [More](#)

Humboldt (March 17): "The Humboldt Superior Court will be closed from March 17 through March 20. Beginning March 23 and continuing for at least 30 days thereafter, the Court will conduct limited hearings and limited Court operations." [More](#)

Imperial (March 17): "In civil and family courts, continue trials out six (6) to eight (8) weeks that are currently set in the month of March and early April." [More](#)

Inyo (March 18): "All jury trials through April 13th have been vacated; Attorneys and litigants are strongly encouraged to make court appearances telephonically; Subject to judicial discretion, the Court will liberally grant hearing continuances upon request . . ." [More](#)

Kern (March 18): Beginning March 19 through March 30, the only civil case types that will be heard are harassment and ex parte requests. "Beginning March 18, all Clerk's windows will be closed to the public, until further notice." [More](#)

Kings (March 18): Civil trials will be continued for thirty days from March 18 through April 17; interior service counters will be closed to the public. [More](#)

Lake (March 17): "The court has decided to close from March 18 through April 1. All regular court calendars will be rescheduled." [More](#)

Lassen (March 17): Limited access to the court. [More](#)

Los Angeles (March 17): "All Civil and Criminal Trials are Suspended through April 16. No jurors are to report until April 16." [More](#) "Nearly 400 courtrooms will Remain Closed At Least Through April 16, 2020; Order will Keep the Court Open for Emergency and Essential Matters; From March 20, 2020 until April 16, 2020, inclusive, all courtrooms will remain closed for judicial business, except for the following time-sensitive, essential functions . . ." [More](#)

Madera (March 17): "All civil trials, with the exception of unlawful detainer trials, currently scheduled between March 17 and April 3 are continued on a rolling basis for eight weeks from the currently scheduled trial date." [More](#)

Marin (March 17): "The Marin County Superior Court will be closed for all non-essential matters effective March 17 until April 7. All Civil and Small Claims matters, hearings and trials scheduled in the next 90 days will be continued." [More](#)

Mariposa (March 18): "All civil jury trials, time-waived misdemeanor jury trials, and time-waived felony jury trials set between March 17, 2020 and May 5, 2020 will be continued and reset to a date agreeable to all counsel." [More](#)

Mendocino (March 17): "The Mendocino County Superior Court will be limiting access to the courthouses in Ukiah and Fort Bragg immediately. The Court currently plans to resume regular court operations on April 6. All jury trials set for March 23, March 25 (Ten Mile) and March 30 are vacated and any person who has received a juror summons will be re-summoned for a date in the future. Counsel in all civil and probate matters scheduled to appear between March 17 to and including April 3 should plan on attending via Court-Call." [More](#)

Merced (March 17): "All civil jury trials currently set between March 17 and April 28 will be continued on a rolling basis for eight weeks from the currently scheduled trial date. Trials currently underway will continue as scheduled." [More](#)

Modoc (March 18): "All jury trials scheduled to commence on or before April 13 are vacated and any person who has received a juror summons will be resummoned for a date in the future. The Court currently plans to resume regular court operations on April 13." [More](#)

Mono (March 17): "All jury trials are suspended until further notice."

Monterey (March 18): "The Superior Court of California, County of Monterey has suspended all non-essential functions starting March 18 through April 3." [More](#)

Napa (March 18): "The court will be closed to the public at all locations beginning March 18 through April 10." "All civil jury and bench trials, trial management conferences and/or mandatory settlement conferences currently set between March 18 and April 10 will be vacated." [More](#)

Nevada (March 18): "All Civil and Criminal jury trials scheduled to commence between March 17 and April 14 are VACATED." [More](#)

Orange (March 17): "Orange County Superior Court will be closed at all locations from March 17 through March 27." [More](#) "The Court will suspend all unlimited civil jury trials until May 1." [More](#)

Placer (March 17): "The Historic Courthouse in Auburn is closed effective March 17 with a plan to reopen April 13. All civil jury trials currently set between March 16 and April 10 are postponed." [More](#)

Plumas (March 17): No coronavirus-related announcements at this time.

Riverside (March 18): "Unlimited and limited civil trials are suspended until May 25. Civil trials that are in progress will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis." [More](#)

Sacramento (March 18): "From March 18 to April 16, all courtrooms will remain closed for judicial business, except for time-sensitive, essential functions. All other matters have been continued by the court." [More](#)

San Benito (March 17): "Effective immediately through May 4, the San Benito Superior Court will reschedule...Unlimited Civil Motions, Limited Civil Motions and Trials excepting Unlawful Detainers."

San Bernardino (March 16): "The San Bernardino County Superior Court announces temporary court closures throughout the County effective March 17 through April 2." [More](#) "Civil jury trials will be suspended for the next 30 days [as of March 13], unless there are cases with statutory priority." [More](#)

San Diego (March 16): "The San Diego Superior Court has suspended all non-emergency services March 17-April 3. All civil proceedings will be rescheduled." [More](#)

San Francisco (March 17): "The Court will be drastically reducing operations that entail closing 75 percent of all courtrooms for 30 days. All civil trials currently set between March 17 and April 15 will be continued on a rolling basis for 90 days from the currently scheduled trial date." [More](#)

San Joaquin (March 17): "The San Joaquin Superior Court has suspended all non-emergency services effective March 17-April 3. The Lodi Courthouses will be closed. All civil proceedings will be rescheduled." [More](#)

San Luis Obispo (March 19): "Public access to the courthouses in Paso Robles and Grover Beach will be closed. Public access to the San Luis Obispo courthouse will be limited to those appearing for matters on the calendar that day. Court staff will report to work and assist the public remotely, via the website, by mail, telephone, email, etc." [More](#)

[San Mateo](#) (March 18): "Presiding Judge Jonathan E. Karesh ordered that all trials be suspended for up to 30 days and ordered all Civil and Small Claims matters be continued or rescheduled. With very few exceptions, the Court will be closed to the public beginning March 17 through April 7." [More](#) "All trials currently in session are hereby suspended until April 13." [More](#)

[Santa Barbara](#) (March 17): "The Santa Barbara County Superior Court will close most courtrooms. All Civil, Family and Probate matters currently set on the Court's calendar from March 17 through April 3 will be rescheduled." [More](#)

[Santa Clara](#) (March 17): "The Superior Court of California, County of Santa Clara has suspended all non-essential functions for three weeks or until such time as the 'shelter in place' order is lifted." "Effective March 16 through April 5, Civil and Probate Jury and Court Trials except for ongoing trials will be rescheduled." [More](#)

[Santa Cruz](#) (March 19): Click [here](#) for information.

[Shasta](#) (March 18): "Shasta County Superior Court judges have requested an emergency order from the Chief Justice of the California Supreme Court authorizing the court to suspend new jury trials. The court said beginning immediately they will suspend the trials through April 13. No new jury panels will be ordered to report to the courthouse until April 14." This is not on the court's website but from a [TV news website](#).

[Sierra](#) (March 18): "The court has decided to close from Wednesday, March 18, 2020 through Friday, April 3, 2020." Visit website for further details.

[Siskiyou](#) (March 19): No updates posted at this time on the website. [More](#)

[Solano](#) (March 17): "On March 17, 2020, the Chief Justice granted the Court's request for an Emergency Order effective through April 5, 2020. To focus on public safety, and ensure access to essential court services, the court is reducing operations, effective March 20, 2020."

[Sonoma](#) (March 17): "The presiding judge has decided to close all court locations and services except for critical calendars and functions effective March 16 through April 3." [More](#)

[Stanislaus](#) (March 19): "Court has suspended all non-emergency services, effective March 23, 2020 to April 16, 2020." [More](#)

[Sutter](#) (March 17): "The court is working with parties and our justice partners to continue the trials that can be continued." [More](#)

[Tehama](#) (March 19): "Court will be closed for approximately two weeks, from Thursday, March 19, 2020 through Friday, April 3, 2020.." [More](#)

[Trinity](#) (March 16): "The court will only summon jurors to the courthouse for 'essential' trials as required by law." [More](#)

[Tulare](#) (March 17): "All civil trials currently set between March 17 and April 17 will be continued." [More](#)

[Tuolumne](#) (March 19): "The Civil Division Counter, Appeals Counter, and Self-Help Center will be closed." [More](#)

Ventura (March 17): "The Ventura Superior Court will be closed March 16 through March 18. Beginning March 19, the court will resume limited operations through March 20. At that time, the court will announce whether limited operations will continue." [More](#)

Yolo (March 18): "The Court will remain open with reduced calendars until April 1, other court functions will be closed." Implementation of Emergency Order [More](#)

Yuba (March 17): Executive Order in effect March 20, 2020 until April 9, 2020. [More](#)

California Courts of Appeal

1st District (March 18): "The court is operating with a reduced staff. The court will continue to receive correspondence and filings both via paper and electronically. Access to the court by phone will be limited. The court has obtained an Emergency Order from the chair of the Judicial Council permitting it to issue an order extending the time to do any act required or permitted under the California Rules of Court, and has, by Order dated March 18, done so. Pursuant to Misc. Order 2020-1, all in-person oral argument sessions in the Court of Appeal, First District, are suspended. Counsel who choose to present oral argument must do so telephonically."

2nd District (March 16) "An order was issued on March 16, 2020 suspending all in-person oral argument in Los Angeles. Counsel will appear remotely via video conference, by telephone conference, or by other electronic means as available and arranged by the Clerk's Office. These adjustments will remain in place until, by further order, it is determined to be prudent to resume normal procedures."

3rd District (March 19): "Effective immediately and until further notice, all oral arguments will be telephonic. If you are scheduled for oral argument, please call the Clerk's Office and provide a telephone number, preferably a landline, where you can be reached. The prescribed \$20.00 fee for telephonic oral argument will be waived in this instance."

4th District (March 9): "At this time there are no changes to normal court operations. Any updates will be communicated through the court's website as appropriate."

5th District (March 16): "The Court has suspended all in-person oral argument."

6th District (March 18): "In cooperation with the orders of the Director of the Santa Clara County Department of Public Health issued March 16, 2020, the building where the Sixth District Court of Appeal is located has closed to the public. Therefore, the court is not able to open the Clerk's Office for regular business. The court has obtained an emergency order from chair of the Judicial Council permitting it to issue an order extending the time to do any act required or permitted under the California Rules of Court, and has by order, done so. Pursuant to Misc. Order 20-001, oral argument sessions in the Sixth District Court of Appeal are suspended. The court will continue to receive correspondence and filings electronically. Access to the court by phone will be limited. For all paper filings including emergency writs, if you are unable to file your papers electronically, you may go to the Santa Clara County Superior Court, located at 191 N. First Street and deposit your papers in the drop box located at the right side of the first-floor lobby. Please prominently mark on the front of the filing that it is intended for the Sixth District Court of Appeal. Any further updates will be communicated through the court's website as appropriate."

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