



SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO

STANDING ORDER OF THE
SACRAMENTO SUPERIOR COURT

No. SSC-25-7

ORDER: ESTABLISHMENT OF HOME
COURT SYSTEM AND EXPANSION OF
LAW AND MOTION DEPARTMENTS
EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 10, 2025; and
TEMPORARY PAUSE OF LAW & MOTION
RESERVATIONS AND SETTING OF CASE
MANAGEMENT CONFERENCES

IT IS HEREBY THE ORDER OF THIS COURT:

I. Establishment of Civil Home Court System and Expansion of Civil Law and Motion

- a. The Sacramento Superior Court's law and motion system currently provides for all civil matters (except for prerogative writs of mandate, complex civil, unlawful detainer, probate, and civil harassment restraining orders) to be assigned to one of two departments (Departments 53 and 54). However, over the years, the Court's caseload has grown significantly, and the volume of filings requires an expansion of this system. Further, the Court intends to establish a home court system, whereby an applicable civil matter is assigned to one department for case management and law and motion proceedings which are typically heard in

the law and motion department.

b. Effective the date of this order, the Civil Home Court departments shall be:

Department 25 – The Honorable Judge Julie G. Yap

Department 28 – The Honorable Judge Richard C. Miadich

Department 53 – The Honorable Judge Richard K. Sueyoshi

Department 54 – The Honorable Judge Christopher E. Krueger

c. As part of the transition to this system, the Court shall send notices in all applicable pending hearings notifying the pro per litigants and/or counsel (as applicable) of the matter's assigned Civil Home Court department. These assignments shall be **effective November 10, 2025**. The dates/times the assigned department holds case management conferences and hears law and motion matters will be included in the notice provided by the Court. Parties are strongly encouraged to visit the Court's Public Portal to verify their department assignments and confirm any reserved and/or scheduled hearing dates and times.

II. Temporary Closure of Civil Law and Motion Reservation System

- a. To make the changes necessary to implement the Civil Home Court system, including reassigning cases to the appropriate departments, the Court **must close its law and motion reservation system for a period of approximately one month**.
- b. Effective **8:00 a.m., October 6, 2025**, the Court's civil law and motion reservation system will be **closed** to pro per litigants and all counsel. The civil law and motion reservation system will **reopen at 8:00 a.m., November 10, 2025**. During the period of October 6 - November 10, 2025, pro per litigants and all counsel will be unable to obtain a new law and motion reservation for ANY date, not just a date during the closure period. Upon reopening of the reservation system, pro per litigants and all counsel will be able to access the reservation system in the

1 same manner as prior to the closure.

- 2 c. Counsel and pro per litigants will still be permitted to **file**
3 motions/applications/etc. during the closure period. The uninterrupted ability to
4 file such documents is intended to permit counsel and pro per litigants to make
5 filings by applicable deadlines imposed by law. Any filing made during the
6 closure period that is associated with a matter that will be placed on calendar in
7 the future (and for which the moving party does not yet have a reserved date and
8 time) must include a "TBD" for the hearing date and time.
- 9 d. Upon reopening of the Court's civil law and motion reservation system, the
10 moving party **must make a reservation for the applicable**
11 **motion/application/etc.** The moving party **must then file and serve an**
12 **amended notice of hearing**, providing the opposing party with sufficient notice
13 as required by the applicable statute prior to the reserved hearing date. The
14 Court *will not* sua sponte assign a hearing date/time reservation for any matter
15 filed during the closure period. Effective November 10th, 2025, parties are
16 strongly encouraged to visit the Court's Public Portal to verify their department
17 assignment prior to making a reservation using the Court's civil law and motion
18 reservation system.
- 19 e. The moving party's failure to timely obtain a reservation after the closure period
20 may result in an inability to timely hear the subject motion/application/etc. A
21 party's failure to read and understand this requirement **shall not constitute**
22 **good cause** for an order shortening time to hear the subject
23 motion/application/etc., nor shall it constitute good cause for advancing the
24 hearing date.
- 25 f. Hearings for ex parte applications/relief will still be set during the October 6-
26 November 10, 2025 closure period. Reservations for such hearings may only be
27 made by calling 916-874-7848 or 916-874-7858. Parties are cautioned that a
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failure to read this notice and prepare for the subject closure **shall not constitute good cause** for ex parte relief.

- g. All moving papers, oppositions, replies, and ex parte applications can be e-Filed, filed in person at the Hall of Justice Building, 813 6th Street, Room 212, 2nd Floor Sacramento, CA 95814, or sent by mail to 720 9th Street, Room 102, Sacramento, CA 95814.

III. **Temporary Pause on the Setting of Initial Case Management Conferences**

- a. During the period of October 6 - November 7, 2025, the Court shall also pause the setting of initial case management conferences in all applicable civil matters.
- b. Beginning November 10, 2025, the Court shall resume setting initial case management conferences in all applicable civil matters. This will include any litigation initiated during the closure period. If, by December 15, 2025, the parties to litigation initiated during the closure have not received a hearing date for an initial case management conference, the parties are encouraged to contact the Court to request such a date.

This order shall supersede all previous orders by the Court regarding these matters and shall remain in effect until such time as it may be modified or revoked.

DATED: 9/29, 2025



THE HONORABLE LAWRENCE G. BROWN
Assistant Presiding Judge



ACTING PRESIDING JUDGE