

Superior Court of California County of Trinity

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PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

The Superior Court of California, County of Trinity is closely monitoring Federal, State and local response to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak and will follow the guidance provided by the state public health agencies and CDC.

In furtherance of compliance with the California Department of Public Health and CDC guidelines and recommendations, the Superior Court of California, County of Trinity is taking precautionary measures to ensure the health and safety of the community. These guidelines suggest that people maintain a six-foot separation from others when in confined spaces. The court is making adjustments to minimize close contact by controlling the flow into the courtrooms, granting motions to continue as well utilizing court call whenever possible.

The Court will only summon jurors to the courthouse for "essential" trials as required by law. In those circumstances, jury panel sizes will be reduced, and juror check-in will be staggered to reduce group sizes.

The Court asks that, when entering a courtroom or jury assembly room, members of the public should keep at least 3 vacant seats between themselves and the next unfamiliar person.

As a reminder, those who are ill should stay home; the Court may ask members of the public who are exhibiting visible symptoms of illness such as coughing to leave.

The Superior Court of California, County of Trinity, recognizes that the current state of emergency is a rapidly evolving one. While these efforts effective today are steps to ensure public health and safety, changes may be made in the future as circumstances and additional information becomes available.

Please contact your attorney for special arrangements or contact the court at 530-623-1208 or 530-623-1369 with questions or assistance due to this pandemic.

The Court supports and agrees with the statement issued by California's Chief Justice, Hon. Tani G. Cantil-Sakuye, on March 13, 2020: "Although the extent of the pandemic is unknown at this time, California's courts will continue to do what they do best: balancing public safety and health while protecting liberty and due process." The Trinity County Superior Court will strive to maintain our essential functions and Constitutional obligations while working to minimize COVID-19-related risks. We appreciate the understanding, patience, and support of the public and our Court partners during these challenging times.