

Resources and Other Information

Pursuant to Government Code § 69957, electronic recording in general jurisdiction matters, including family law, probate and writs and receivers, is prohibited. Parties will need to arrange for a court reporter to be present when their matter is called in courtrooms that will no longer have official court reporters and pay for those services. A list of Court-Approved Official Reporters Pro Tempore is available [here](#).

Parties with fee waivers may request an official court reporter pursuant to California Rules of Court, rule 2.956(c)(2) and Local Rule 2.21, see also *Jameson v. Desta*, 5 Cal 5th 594 (2018). The law requires the court to provide a court reporter when a litigant with a fee waiver has timely-filed a request for a court reporter but only when a court reporter is available.

The request must be made by using the local form Request for Court Reporter by Party with Fee Waiver form [L-0790](#) or Judicial Council Form FW-020 at least 10 days before the hearing. Given the limited availability of official court reporters, notice of the availability of a court reporter may not be given until the day of the hearing.

Please note that unless otherwise required by law, the Court is not obligated to provide court reporter transcripts free of charge to a party who has been granted a waiver of court fees and costs. (See *Rohnert Park v. Superior Court* (1983) 146 Cal.App.3d 420; *Mehdi v. Superior Court* (1989) 213 Cal.App.3d 1198.)

Assistance may be available through the Transcript Reimbursement Fund. Further information is available on the California Court Reporters Board's website.