



Superior Court of California County of Orange

REVISED PUBLIC NOTICE OF REDUCED COURT CLERK'S OFFICE HOURS PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 68106 AND CALIFORNIA RULE OF COURT, RULE 10.620

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

DATE: AUGUST 28, 2020

Pursuant to Government Code section 68106, the Superior Court of California, County of Orange is providing 60 days' notice of the reduction of hours of operation for the Clerk's Offices located at each of the branches of the Court.

Effective Friday, October 30, 2020 and excluding judicial holidays, the regular Friday hours for the Clerk's Offices in the Superior Court of California, County of Orange will be from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Commencing October 30, 2020, the Clerk's Offices at every branch of the Superior Court of California, County of Orange shall be closed after 12:00 p.m. on Fridays for the transaction of Court business except for requests made at the Central or Lamoreaux Justice Centers for domestic violence temporary restraining orders, elder abuse temporary restraining orders, and civil harassment temporary restraining orders. In addition, limited clerk's office services will be available in juvenile court for justice partners, as needed to meet legal deadlines. Court hours will remain unchanged for all other Court services.

The financial constraints imposed by the California state fiscal crisis and the decrease in state funding for Trial Courts by \$176.9 million for fiscal year 2020-2021 has left the Court with no alternative but to reduce the hours of the Clerk's offices. The reduction in hours will achieve cost savings in court personnel and other associated costs.

Although the Court has implemented a number of other cost savings alternatives, these measures will not be sufficient to mitigate the impact of the budget shortfall.

Invitation to Comment: All public comments regarding this reduction in hours can be directed to: ctfeedback@occourts.org.