

Superior Court of California  
County of Orange



## ***News Release***

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### **Superior Court Announces New Easy Small Claims “SmartForms” Now Available on Court Website**

The Superior Court of California in Orange County now has SmartForms available for Small Claims cases using Adobe’s SmartForm technology. The new interactive Small Claims forms make it easier and more efficient for the public and the court to conduct business.

While the forms are simple to use like the original paper-based or Portable Document Format (PDF) forms, the interactive SmartForms provide improved and added capability, which means less time required to complete and file the court forms electronically. The previous PDF form versions required users to print the document, complete it by hand, and either fax, mail or bring it back in person to the court.

The many advantages of the Adobe SmartForm technology include:

- A built-in check utility to ensure that all required fields are complete prior to submitting the form to the court.
- A user can complete the forms while online or offline and can also save the forms for later use, revision, or submission to the court.
- The forms can be electronically filed with attachments 24 hours a day, seven days a week to the court. The court has contracted with American LegalNet as an Electronic Filing Service Provider (EFSP) to collect a nominal electronic filing fee. Once electronically submitted and accepted by the court, the information is fed directly into the court’s case management system.

Small Claims SmartForms are available at [www.occourts.org/forms](http://www.occourts.org/forms).