

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SHASTA

Date: August 7, 2020, corrected 8-24-2020

In the Matter of:

EMERGENCY ORDER REGARDING CIVIL DIVISION

NATURE OF PROCEEDINGS: ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 25-2020 (Supersedes 13-2020)

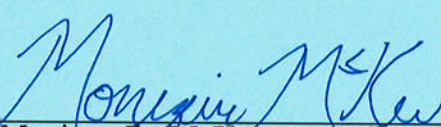
The Civil Division of the Superior Court of California, County of Shasta, in furtherance of compliance with the CDC and California Department of Public Health guidelines and recommendations, now takes precautionary measures to ensure the health and safety of the community as set forth in the attached Emergency Order Regarding Civil Division, which is incorporated as a part of this Administrative Order.

Dated: August 24, 2020



Daniel E. Flynn
Presiding Judge

Dated: August 24, 2020



Monique D. McKee
Asst. Presiding Judge

SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
FOR THE COUNTY OF SHASTA

HON. STEPHEN H. BAKER

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NATURE OF PROCEEDINGS: ORDER

In furtherance of compliance with the California Department of Public Health and CDC guidelines and recommendations, the Civil Division of the Superior Court of California, County of Shasta is taking the following precautionary measures to ensure the health and safety of the community. Until further notice, this order pertains to all civil matters pending in Departments 3 and 8.

1. Except as otherwise ordered by the Court, **Civil Jury Trials and Civil Court Trials** will resume subject to the following standards:
 - a. All persons entering the Courthouse and Courtroom must comply with Administrative Order 23-2020 (Face Coverings, Social Distancing and Temperature Checks in Court Facilities).
 - b. Exceptions to the foregoing standards may be allowed to the extent necessary to satisfy the interests of justice so long as these exceptions do not compromise public health. For example, in order to facilitate communication, and observation of demeanor, witnesses may be allowed to temporarily remove their masks while testifying in the witness box provided the witness box is encased in plexiglass and the witness is socially distanced from others in the courtroom.

2. **Mandatory Settlement Conferences** on all civil cases will resume by means *other than* personal appearance at the Courthouse. Unless otherwise previously arranged with the Court, parties are to appear by CourtCall at the time and place set for the Mandatory Settlement Conference. The Court will then address each case and provide instructions to the parties how the conference will be conducted.

The parties are to comply with California Rule of Court 3.1380(c) by filing with the Court a Mandatory Settlement Conference Statement no later than 5 court days prior to the date set for the Mandatory Settlement Conference. In addition to the content required by CRC 3.1380(c), the parties are to indicate therein whether they consent to ex parte communication with the Judge concerning issues of settlement consistent with the Code of Judicial Ethics Canon 3(B)(12) which provides, in pertinent part:

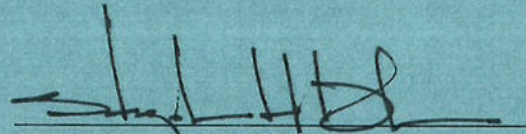
A judge may participate in settlement conferences or in other efforts to resolve matters in dispute, including matters pending before the judge. A judge may, with the express consent of the

parties or their lawyers, confer separately with the parties and/or their lawyers during such resolution efforts.

Upon reviewing the Settlement Conference Statements the Court may contact the parties separately and/or by conference call consistent with the above noted authority and the Court may make further orders as stipulated or otherwise appropriate.

3. Law & Motion and Review Hearing appearances: Although not mandatory, until further notice, all parties are strongly encouraged to make Law & Motion and Review Hearing appearances by CourtCall.

Dated: August 7, 2020



STEPHEN H. BAKER
Civil Division Presiding Judge