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County of Los Angeles

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PROPOSED REVISIONS TO
LOCAL COURT RULES

Pursuant to California Rules of Court, Rule 10.613(g), the following proposed amendments to the Local Rules are hereby distributed for comment. The affected rules are:

- Rule 2.2 DISTRICTS AND COURT SESSION LOCATIONS
  Amend rule to update court location.

- Rule 4.123 COURT-APPOINTED COUNSEL PANEL GENERAL ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURE FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE PANEL
  Amend rule to change "Probate Volunteer Panel" to "Court-Appointed Counsel Panel."

- Rule 9.7 ORAL ARGUMENT
  Amend rule to align with California Rules of Court.

The proposed amendments were reviewed and approved by both the Los Angeles Superior Court's Rules Committee and Executive Committee. Comments must be submitted via email at localrulescomments@lacourt.org, or in writing, to: Sandra Pigati-Pizano, Room 620, Judicial and Executive Support, Los Angeles Superior Court, 111 North Hill Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012. Comments must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on **August 31, 2019**.

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2.2 DISTRICTS AND COURT SESSION LOCATIONS

(a) Districts. For administrative convenience, the court is divided into 12 geographic districts as follows:

Central District
East District
North District
North Central District
North Valley District
Northeast District
Northwest District
South District
South Central District
Southeast District
Southwest District
West District

The boundaries of each district are as specified in the Maps of Superior Court Districts that are attached to these Local Rules as Appendix 2.A.

(b) Location of Court Sessions. Sessions of the court will be held within districts at the following court location:

Central District, (including outlying centrally administered juvenile courthouses):
Stanley Mosk (County) Courthouse, 111 North Hill Street, Los Angeles 90012
Spring Street Courthouse, 312 North Spring Street, Los Angeles 90012
Clara Shortridge Foltz Criminal Justice Center, 210 West Temple Street, Los Angeles 90012
Edmund J. Edelman Children's Court, 201 Centre Plaza Drive, Monterey Park 91754
Mental Health Courthouse, 1150 North San Fernando Road, Los Angeles 90065
Metropolitan Courthouse, 1945 South Hill Street, Los Angeles 90007
East Los Angeles Courthouse, 4848 East Civic Center Way, Los Angeles 90022
Eastlake Juvenile Courthouse, 1601 Eastlake Avenue, Los Angeles 90033
Central Arraignment Courts, 429 Bauchet Street, Los Angeles 90012
Central Civil West Courthouse, 600 South Commonwealth Avenue, Los Angeles 90005
Hollywood Courthouse, 5925 Hollywood Boulevard, Los Angeles 90028
Inglewood Juvenile Courthouse, 110 Regent Street, Inglewood 90301
Los Padrinos Juvenile Courthouse, 7281 East Quill Drive, Downey 90242
Sylmar Juvenile Courthouse, 16350 Filbert Street, Sylmar 91342
Alfred J. McCourtney Juvenile Justice Center, 1040 W. Ave. J, Lancaster 93534;

East District, in:
Pomona Courthouse South, 400 Civic Center Plaza, Pomona 91766
El Monte Courthouse, 11234 East Valley Boulevard, El Monte 91731
West Covina Courthouse, 1427 West Covina Parkway, West Covina 91790;

North District, in:
Michael D. Antonovich Antelope Valley Courthouse, 42011 4th Street West, Lancaster 93534;

North Central District, in:
Burbank Courthouse, 300 East Olive Avenue, Burbank 91502
Glendale Courthouse, 600 East Broadway, Glendale 91206;

Northeast District, in:
Pasadena Courthouse, 300 East Walnut Street, Pasadena 91101
Alhambra Courthouse, 150 West Commonwealth, Alhambra 91801;

North Valley District, in:
San Fernando Courthouse, 900 Third Street, San Fernando 91340
Chatsworth Courthouse, 9425 Penfield Avenue, Chatsworth 91311
Santa Clarita Courthouse, 23747 West Valencia Boulevard, Santa Clarita 91355;

Northwest District, in:
Van Nuys Courthouse East, 6230 Sylmar Avenue, Van Nuys 91401
Van Nuys Courthouse West, 14400 Erwin Street Mall, Van Nuys 91401;

South District, in:
Governor George Deukmejian Courthouse, ~~Long Beach Courthouse, 415 West Ocean Boulevard, Long Beach 90802~~ **275 Magnolia, Long Beach 90802**
Catalina Courthouse, 215 Summer Avenue, P.O. Box 677, Avalon 90704;

South Central District, in:
Compton Courthouse, 200 West Compton Boulevard, Compton 90220;

Southeast District, in:
Norwalk Courthouse, 12720 Norwalk Boulevard, Norwalk 90650
Bellflower Courthouse, 10025 East Flower Street, Bellflower 90706
Downey Courthouse, 7500 East Imperial Highway, Downey 90242;

Southwest District, in:
Torrance Courthouse, 825 Maple Avenue, Torrance 90503
Torrance Annex, 3221 Torrance Boulevard, Torrance 90503
Inglewood Courthouse, One Regent Street, Inglewood 90301;

West District, in:
Santa Monica Courthouse, 1725 Main Street, Santa Monica 90401
Beverly Hills Courthouse, 9355 Burton Way, Beverly Hills 90210
LA Airport Courthouse, 11701 South La Cienega Boulevard, Los Angeles 90045

(Rule 2.2 [*7/1/2011, 5/17/2013, 1/1/2019*] amended and effective _____)

4.123 COURT-APPOINTED COUNSEL PANEL GENERAL ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURE FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE PANEL

All Court-Appointed Counsel Panel attorneys must meet the following general requirements:

(a) Active Status with the State Bar. The attorney must have maintained active status with the State Bar of California for each of the preceding three years and have no disciplinary proceedings pending or filed against him or her during the preceding twelve months.

(b) Submit Application and Compliance Statement. The attorney must complete and submit the following:

(1) An Application for Appointment to the ~~Probate Volunteer~~ **Court-Appointed Counsel** Panel;

(2) A Compliance Statement with the Application, and annually thereafter;

These forms may be obtained on-line at www.lacourt.org, see "Probate," from the Probate Division, Stanley Mosk Courthouse, or by calling telephone number (213) 830-0850; and

(3) If seeking appointment in Conservatorship and/or Guardianship proceedings, Judicial Council form GC-010, Certification of Attorney Concerning Qualifications for Court Appointment in Conservatorship/Guardianships. Annually thereafter, the attorney must submit Judicial Council form GC-011, Annual Certification of Court Appointed Attorney. These forms may be obtained on-line at www.courts.ca.gov/forms.

(c) Educational and MCLE Requirements.

(1) The attorney must complete at least twelve hours of MCLE during his/her State Bar reporting period in the subjects of decedent estates, conservatorships/guardianships, or trust administration;

(2) The attorney must complete the mandatory Court-Appointed Counsel Panel training course(s) within one year from submission of his or her application; and

(3) To qualify for appointment in conservatorship or guardianship proceedings, the attorney must satisfy the qualifications and continuing education requirements in California Rules of Court, rule 7.1101.

(d) Professional Liability Insurance. The attorney must carry professional liability insurance with policy limits consistent with the value of the matters handled, and at a minimum an amount of $100,000 per claim and $300,000 per year.

(Rule 4.123 *[7/1/2011, 7/1/2019]*, amended and effective _____)

9.7 ORAL ARGUMENT

(a) Date and Time.

(1) Date. The parties will receive at least 20 days' notice of the date for the oral argument. **For good cause, the presiding judge of the Appellate Division may shorten the notice period. The clerk must notify the parties by telephone or other expeditious method of the shortened notice period.** (Cal. Rules of Court, rules 8.885(c), 8.929(c).)

(2) Time. **By order of the presiding judge or the panel of the division hearing the appeal, any appeal may be placed on the calendar for oral argument at any session. (Cal. Rules of Court, rules 8.885(a), 8.929(a).) As a general rule, appeals will be scheduled for oral argument as follows:**

A~~a~~)Criminal matters: 9:00 a.m.

B~~b~~)Civil matters: 1:30 p.m.

(b) Failure to Appear. If a party fails to appear at oral argument when the case is called, the case will be deemed submitted. A motion to vacate an order taking a cause under submission must comply with Local Rule 9.9(b).

(c) Continuances. Continuances will only be granted upon a showing of good cause. Continuances by stipulation are subject to the approval of the ~~P~~presiding ~~J~~judge. Written applications for continuance must comply with Local Rule 9.9, and shall be ruled upon, without hearing, by the court.

(d) Amount of Time to Argue. Each side is permitted ten minutes to argue in a civil or misdemeanor appeal and five minutes in an infraction appeal. (Cal. Rules of Court, rules 8.885(d)(2), 8.929(d)(2).)

(e) Tentative Rulings. Tentative rulings are issued in most cases, indicating the court's initial proposed views or questions concerning a case. The court is not bound by a tentative ruling, whether or not a party has submitted the case based on the stated tentative ruling. Tentative rulings will be available: (1) on the afternoon before calendar (a) on the court's website at www.lacourt.org, select Appellate Division, Tentative Rulings, or (b) by telephone; and (2) will be posted outside the courtroom on the day of the hearing.

(f) Supplemental Briefing. Supplemental briefing will be permitted when the court intends to decide a case upon the basis of an issue not briefed or proposed by any party. (Gov. Code, § 68081.)

(Rule 9.7 [*7/1/2011, 7/1/2019*] amended and effective_____)