

Resolution Re Temporary Suspension of Local Rules

Whereas, Los Angeles Superior Court Local Rule 1.7 provides that at the request of the Presiding Judge, the Executive Committee may temporarily suspend any of the Local Rules, other than rules contained in Chapter 1, as may be necessary to permit the Presiding Judge to carry out his or her responsibilities under California Rules of Court, rule 10.603, to deal with budgetary shortfalls, provided a formal amendment is promptly submitted to the judges for their consideration without unreasonable delay; and

Whereas, Court Counsel has opined that the Executive Committee, at the request of the Presiding Judge, may authorize the Presiding Judge to temporarily suspend a range of rules as may be necessary to permit the Presiding Judge to carry out his or her responsibilities under California Rule of Court 10.603.

Whereas, pursuant to this authority, and at the request of the Presiding Judge, in response to an ongoing budget shortfall the Executive Committee previously suspended the Local Rules as they pertain to the distribution of the Court's business to the extent a Local Rule is inconsistent with previous or future temporary General Orders issued by the Presiding Judge under the authority of California Rules of Court;

Now, therefore, the Executive Committee ratifies its prior approval and again approves the request of the Presiding Judge to suspend any of the Local Rules as they pertain to the distribution of the Court's business to the extent a Local Rule is inconsistent with previous or future temporary General Orders issued by the Presiding Judge under the authority of California Rules of Court, provided:

1. This resolution and any General Order regarding distribution of the Court's business will be posted on the Court's website, and a formal amendment will be processed and submitted to the judges for their consideration without unreasonable delay.
2. Any General Order concerning a local policy enumerating the departments in which the services of official court reporters are normally available, and the departments in which the services of official court reporters are not normally available will, in addition, be published in the Metropolitan News Enterprise and the Daily Journal newspapers pursuant to California Rule of Court 2.956.

I certify that the Executive Committee of the Los Angeles Superior Court adopted this resolution at its regularly scheduled meeting held on February 20, 2013.



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Interim Executive Officer/Clerk