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SUPERIOR COURT OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY'S CIVIL DIVISION TO IMPLEMENT NEW FILING PROCEDURES FOR PERSONAL INJURY CASES IN THE CENTRAL DISTRICT

New Filing Procedures Take Effect January 8, 2024

Effective January 8, 2024, all Personal Injury (PI) cases filed in the Court's Central District will now be assigned for all purposes to Independent Calendar (IC) departments at the Stanley Mosk Courthouse, rather than a PI Hub Court. Personal Injury cases pending in one of the PI Hub courts at the Spring Street Courthouse prior to January 8 will remain assigned to those courts until they are sent for trial or otherwise resolved.

This change in January to move PI cases to IC departments in the Stanley Mosk Courthouse will complete the transition, first initiated in 2022, of all PI cases from the PI Hub at the Spring Street Courthouse back to local IC courts. This shift away from the PI Hub model reestablishes a system that prioritizes timely and efficient adjudication and active case management by the assigned judicial officer.

The <u>Eighth Amended Standing Order for Procedures in the Personal Hub Courts</u> – which became effective on October 10, 2022 – shall remain in effect for cases filed prior to January 8, 2024. This order only applies to the PI Hub at the Spring Street Courthouse.

Parties who file PI cases in the Central District after January 8, 2024 are encouraged to consult the <u>Courtroom Information</u> page on the Court's website for important IC courtroom details, including general courtroom rules and information about case management, scheduling motions and discovery.