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NEW LACOURTCONNECT FEATURES LAUNCHING MAY 13 FOR PROBATE; JUNE 3 FOR CIVIL, FAMILY LAW AND TRAFFIC

<u>Sandbox Sessions Available for Probate Attorneys to Learn More About New Enhancements;</u>
(Details for a Sandbox for Civil, Family Law and Traffic Attorneys Coming Soon)

LACourtConnect (LACC) participants will soon gain access to the newest features and enhancements for remote appearances, including the ability to chat with other participants, monitor courtroom proceedings before the case is called and more. The updated LACC will be available for probate matters beginning May 13 and for civil, family law and traffic matters on June 3.

The new features include a "Virtual Gallery" where attorneys can:

- Review their upcoming remote hearing information for that day;
- Test their audio and video equipment;
- View court announcements;
- Chat with others in the Virtual Gallery via text, audio and video; and
- Monitor the courtroom while waiting for hearings to be called.

A <u>video overview</u> for attorneys to familiarize themselves with the new features, along with other useful information including a link to the probate attorney Sandbox Sessions, is available on the <u>Attorney Portal</u> and the <u>LACC</u> pages of the <u>Court's website</u>. Future Sandbox Sessions for civil, family law and traffic attorneys will be available closer to the LACC rollout date.

Each individual LACC user (including clients, experts and witnesses) will now be required to have and use a uniquely assigned CourtID for registration. Ensure the email and password for the person who is joining the hearing is used for registration if done by office staff. For attorneys, this is the same unique password and email used for other Court applications, such as the Attorney Portal. For others, information about how to create a CourtID is available here.