



SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF YOLO

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YOLO SUPERIOR COURT COVID-19 EMERGENCY ORDER

Woodland, California - Due to a significant rise in Covid transmissions over the last several weeks, Yolo Superior Court announced today that California Chief Justice Tani G. Cantil-Sakauye signed an Emergency Order that allows the court to reschedule jury trials scheduled between January 10, 2022 through February 7, 2022 to future dates in 2022.

Presiding Judge Daniel P. Maguire stated “As we approach the third year of responding to COVID-19, we’ve learned that we must be flexible and follow the data. The Court must balance speedy trial rights and the need to keep cases moving with the public health risks that arise when jurors are convened for trial. At the present time, the balance favors temporary suspension of jury trials, but we will resume trials when the risk decreases, always with full safety measures in place.”

Yolo Superior Court will remain open and staffed. Remote appearances are strongly encouraged when possible. Further information, including links for remote appearances, can be found on the court’s website www.yolo.courts.ca.gov. Presiding Judge Maguire notes that “most court matters can be handled remotely, and many court users have come to appreciate the convenience of video appearance.”

The public is encouraged to use the court’s many online services, including online payment options, access to court calendars or to look up cases, e-file court documents or get assistance from the Family Law Facilitator/Self Help Center. To find what services are available online, please visit the court’s website.

The court will continue to evaluate the current COVID case numbers to determine whether further modifications will be necessary. Ongoing safety measures, including the court’s mandatory order requiring facemasks while in the courthouse, will remain in place.