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San Diego Superior Court to Maintain Current Operations as San Diego County Moves to the Purple Tier

*The Court is considered an essential business and follows all
local, state and federal safety precautions*

November 12, 2020 – The San Diego Superior Court is an essential business and operations will not need to be modified as San Diego County moves into the purple tier for California’s COVID-19 risk levels.

Many of the Court’s services are available online from virtual hearings in every case type to electronic document filing to setting up traffic fine payment plans.

For those who need to physically come into one of the local courthouses, COVID-19 safety precautions are in place, including temperature screenings at the door, increased cleaning, social distancing and facial covering requirements.

In-person services are available in some instances, for example, to file a request for a temporary restraining order or attend a virtual hearing if home access to a telephone or computer is not possible. For a complete and regularly updated guide to all [San Diego Superior Court Services available during COVID-19](#), please refer to the Court’s website at sdcourt.ca.gov/coronavirus.

“The San Diego Superior Court has taken steps to ensure that we can still provide the public with access to justice even as our community continues to be affected by the COVID-19 pandemic,” said Presiding Judge Lorna Alksne. “Over the past several months, we’ve increased our online capacity and outfitted our courthouses to safely remain open as an organization that delivers an essential service.”

Members of the public who are summoned for jury duty are encouraged to report for duty as directed. For more information on the precautions taken to safely bring jurors into the courthouses, please refer to [this video](#) and [this guide](#) to jury service in the San Diego Superior Court during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Learn more about the Court’s operations during the COVID-19 pandemic at sdcourt.ca.gov/coronavirus.

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