

Superior Court of California County of San Diego

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NOTICE TO ATTORNEYS And SELF-REPRESENTED LITIGANTS

Family Court to Begin Using CourtCall

Effective February 3, 2014, the Family Court will join other divisions of the San Diego Superior Court using "CourtCall" services for **all** telephonic appearances. At a Family Resolution Conference (FRC), the court will no longer require an advanced court order to appear by telephone. Also, while personal appearances are still favored, they will not be required at the first FRC unless otherwise ordered by the court. *See Local Rule 5.2.2C.* It will be the obligation of the attorney or party who intends to appear by telephone for any FRC to make their own timely arrangements with CourtCall. Telephonic appearances by calling the department directly at the time of the hearing will not be allowed. All appearances through CourtCall will be made during the court's regular calendars.

All telephonic appearances at hearings other than FRCs will still require a timely request for a court order pursuant to Local Rule 5.2.6 using local form SDSC D-259. If the request is granted, then the telephonic appearance must be made through CourtCall.

For more information about arranging telephonic appearances, contact CourtCall at (888) 882-6878 or go to <u>www.courtcall.com</u>. Court staff will <u>not</u> be able to answer questions about CourtCall and <u>cannot</u> make any arrangements for an attorney or party's appearance through CourtCall.

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