

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO

FAMILY LAW DEPARTMENT

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NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

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Effective October 25, 2021, the San Diego Superior Court is updating its Register of Actions (ROA) in family law cases to provide additional features for non-confidential family law cases filed on or after August 24, 2015 that have been designated as "Imaged File[s]" (see Local Rule 5.1.9). Specifically, through the new and improved ROA (Family) users will now be able to identify and order non-confidential case documents that have been imaged, including certified and/or exemplified copies, for a fee. Upon ordering and paying the appropriate fees (including postage fees) online, the documents will be mailed to users at their designated mailing address.

The revamped ROA (Family) is intended to assist the public in accessing non-confidential case data and documents for imaged cases filed on or after August 24, 2015 without having to visit the courthouse. Documents in cases filed before August 24, 2015 will not be accessible online nor will information and documents that are confidential by operation of law or have been ordered sealed. Requests for such records must be made in person. In-person requests for confidential or sealed records are limited to those individuals who are eligible to access the records under the law and who present a valid government-issued photo identification document. In addition, the ROA (Family) cannot process requests for documents without collecting a fee by credit card. Therefore, parties with a valid fee waiver on file must request copies in person and present a valid government-issued photo identification in order for the court to be able to apply the fee waiver.

The updated ROA (Family) will be made available for use on the San Diego Superior Court's website midday on October 25, 2021.