



# Superior Court of California

COUNTY OF VENTURA  
Hall of Justice  
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## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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## **COVID-19 COURT CLOSURE**

The Ventura Superior Court will continue with limited operations from Monday, March 23rd to Friday, April 17th.

During this period, the majority of courtrooms and all clerk's offices at all court locations remain closed to the public. A small number of courtrooms will be operating to hear urgent criminal, juvenile, temporary restraining order issues and emergency ex parte Family Law, Civil and Probate matters only.

Jury Services will be closed through March 31, 2020. If you were scheduled for jury duty during this time, your service has been ended, you are not expected to appear, and have been given credit for one year. If you are summoned for a date, beginning on March 27, 2020, please check online or call (805) 289-8661 for further Jury Services updates.

All civil trials and non-emergency hearings are suspended for 90 days. They will be continued to a new date and notices will be mailed out. Traffic citations are still due and may be paid online. Criminal matters are limited to time sensitive matters. The Courts Self-Help Centers also are closed. Law firms and attorneys should go to the Court's website at [www.ventura.courts.ca.gov](http://www.ventura.courts.ca.gov) to review the emergency orders for details.

These measures are being taken to reduce the number of court staff, jurors, parties and attorneys in order to protect public health and safety. These actions are in response to Governor Gavin Newsom's Order to Stay Home issued March 19th and the Ventura County Public Health Department's Stay Well at Home Order issued March 20th in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic.

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