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VENTURA SUPERIOR COURT LAUNCHES COURT-ORDERED CIVIL MEDIATION PROGRAM

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VENTURA, CA— The Ventura Superior Court announces the launch of the Court-Ordered Civil Mediation Program.

Beginning November 10, 2025, civil lawsuits with amounts in controversy of \$50,000 or less per plaintiff may be ordered to mediation at the Court's discretion. Subject to the Court's approval, parties may also voluntarily agree to participate in court-ordered mediation regardless of the amount in controversy.

Once ordered to mediation, parties will select a mediator from a panel of experienced court-approved mediators. Parties will be provided three hours of mediation services at no cost.

For more information on the Court-Ordered Civil Mediation Program, links to forms, and other resources, please visit the Ventura Superior Court website at <https://www.ventura.courts.ca.gov/CMP.html>. The website includes information on how to apply to be a Court-approved mediator.

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