



# Superior Court of California

## County of San Diego

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### NOTICE TO ATTORNEYS

#### **CHANGES TO POLICY REGARDING NORMAL AVAILABILITY AND UNAVAILABILITY OF OFFICIAL COURT REPORTERS**

Due to court reporter staffing shortages, the San Diego Superior Court will be amending its policy for normal availability and unavailability of official court reporters in family cases, and effective November 30, 2021, official court reporters will no longer be available for Family Law matters with the exception of Family Support Division (FSD) matters and Contempt Hearings.

The San Diego Superior Court's policy regarding the normal availability and unavailability of official court reporters will be as follows:

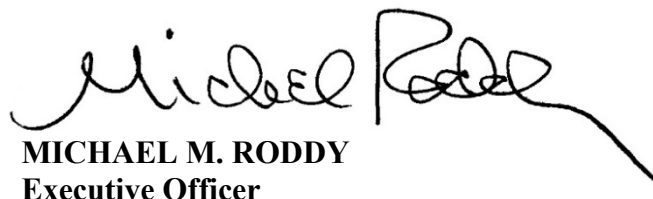
Effective November 30, 2021, official court reporters will normally be available in felony criminal cases and juvenile matters during regular court hours. Official court reporters will not normally be available in civil matters, family law matters (with the exception of Family Support Division [FSD] matters and Contempt Hearings), or in probate matters.

The San Diego Superior Court provides electronic recording services in infraction and misdemeanor proceedings. The court may electronically record limited civil proceedings, including unlawful detainers, collections, and small claims, *if* recording equipment is available.

A party who has been granted a waiver of court fees and costs may request the services of an official court reporter for a proceeding for which a reporter is not normally available and for which electronic recording is not provided. Information on how to submit a request is available on the Court Reporter Information page on the court's website at [www.sdcourt.ca.gov/CourtReporter](http://www.sdcourt.ca.gov/CourtReporter).

Information on how parties may obtain and pay for a private certified shorthand reporter for a hearing, and information for parties who paid court reporter fees for an affected hearing scheduled on or after November 30, 2021 on how to request a refund, is available on the Court Reporter Information page on the court's website at [www.sdcourt.ca.gov/CourtReporter](http://www.sdcourt.ca.gov/CourtReporter).

The court's revised Policy Regarding Normal Availability and Unavailability of Official Court Reporters (SDSC Form #ADM-317) will be available on the court's website on November 30, 2021.

  
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