

**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO**

**CIVIL HARASSMENT
REQUEST TO CONTINUE HEARING PACKET**



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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO

INSTRUCTIONS FOR REQUESTING TO CONTINUE HEARING ON RESTRAINING ORDER

Protected or restrained persons may request to continue the hearing on restraining order by following the process for the location where the hearing is scheduled as indicated below.

The following forms are required for all requests:

Civil Harassment/Elder Abuse

- **Request to Continue Hearing (JC Form #CH-115/EA-115)**
- **Order on Request to Continue Hearing (JC Form #CH-116/EA-116)**

Parties may request to continue the hearing by either appearing on the day of the hearing or appearing ex parte prior to the scheduled hearing date.

Instructions for Appearing Ex Parte

Central Division

An ex parte hearing may be scheduled by calling (619) 450-7275 and requesting to be transferred to Department 61. Notice of the ex parte hearing must be provided by a third party to the opposing party/attorney no later than 10:00 a.m. the court day prior to the ex parte appearance.

In addition to the required forms listed above, the requesting party must also complete and submit an Ex Parte Application (SDSC Form #ADM-252) to the courtroom clerk upon checking-in.

East County Division

An ex parte hearing may be heard on a walk-in basis. The required forms listed above must be submitted in the Business Office prior to 3:00 p.m.

North County Division

An ex parte hearing may be heard on a walk-in basis. The required forms listed above must be submitted in the Business Office prior to 3:00 p.m.

South County Division

An ex parte hearing may be scheduled at the counter in the Business Office or by calling (619) 746-6200 the day before the requested hearing date. Notice of the ex parte hearing must be provided by a third party to the opposing party/attorney no later than 10:00 a.m. the court day prior to the ex parte appearance.

In addition to the required forms listed above, the requesting party must also complete and submit an Ex Parte Application (SDSC Form #ADM-252) and a declaration of notice and drop them off in the Ex Parte Box no later than 12:00 p.m. the day before the scheduled ex parte hearing.

1 You may need to ask for a new court date if:

- You are the person asking for protection and are unable to have *Notice of Court Hearing* (form [CH-109](#)), and other papers served in time before the court date.
- You are the person to be restrained and making your first request to reschedule your court date.
- You have a good reason for needing a new court date. (The court may grant your request to reschedule your court date on a showing of good cause.)

2 What does form CH-115 do?

Use *Request to Continue Hearing* (form [CH-115](#)) to ask the court to reschedule your court date. If your court date is rescheduled and a *Temporary Restraining Order* (TRO; form [CH-110](#)) was granted, the TRO will be extended until the end of your new court date unless the court decides to modify or terminate it. “Extend” means to keep any temporary orders in effect until the new court date.

3 Follow these steps:

- Fill out all of form [CH-115](#).
- Fill out items ① and ② on *Order on Request to Continue Hearing* (form [CH-116](#)).
- The judge will need to review your papers. In some courts, you must give your papers to the clerk. Ask the court clerk for information on how you ask the judge to review your papers.
- After you turn in your forms as required by your local court, check with the clerk’s office to see if the judge approved (granted) your request to reschedule your court date.
- If the judge signed form [CH-116](#), you will have a new court date. If the judge did NOT sign the form, you should go to court at the date, time, and location on form [CH-109](#).
- Next, file both forms [CH-115](#) and [CH-116](#) with the clerk. The clerk will make up to three file-stamped copies for you. Keep at least one copy to bring to your court date.
- The other party must be served a copy of the court papers as described in item ⑥ on form [CH-116](#).
- Ask the person who serves the papers to complete a proof of service form and give it to you. If service was in person, use *Proof of Personal Service* (form [CH-200](#)). If service was by mail, use *Proof of Service—Civil* (form [POS-040](#)). Make two copies of the completed forms.
- File the completed and signed proof of service form with the clerk’s office before your court date.
- If the court reschedules your court date and extends the TRO to the new court date, the clerk will send the TRO to law enforcement. It will be entered into a statewide computer system that lets police know about the order so that it can be enforced.

4 Go to your court date

- Take at least two copies of your documents and filed forms to your court date. Include a filed proof of service form. “Documents” may include exhibits, declarations, and financial statements, and the court may enter them into evidence at its discretion.
- If you are the person seeking protection and you do not go to the court date, your TRO will expire at the end of your court date.
- If you are the person to be restrained and you do not go to your court date, the court can still make orders against you that can last for up to five years.

5 Need help?

Ask the court clerk about free or low-cost legal help that may be available in your county.

Clerk stamps date here when form is filed.

Instructions: Use this form to ask the court to reschedule the court date listed on *Notice of Court Hearing* (form **CH-109**). Read, [How to Ask for a New Hearing Date \(form CH-115-INFO\)](#), for more information.

1 My Information

a. My name is: _____

b. I am the:

(1) **Protected party** (*skip to 2*).(2) **Restrained party** (*give your contact information below*).

Address where I can receive mail:

This address will be used by the court and other party to notify you in this case. If you want to keep your home address private, you can use another address like a post office box or another person's address, if you have their permission. If you have a lawyer, give your lawyer's address and contact information.

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

My contact information (*optional*):

Telephone: _____ Fax: _____

Email Address: _____

Lawyer's information (*skip if you do not have one*):

Name: _____ State Bar No.: _____

Firm Name: _____

Fill in court name and street address:

Superior Court of California, County of San Diego

- CENTRAL DIVISION, HALL OF JUSTICE,
330 W. BROADWAY, SAN DIEGO, CA 92101
- EAST COUNTY DIVISION,
250 E. MAIN ST., EL CAJON, CA 92020
- NORTH COUNTY DIVISION,
325 S. MELROSE DR., VISTA, CA 92081
- SOUTH COUNTY DIVISION,
500 3RD AVE., CHULA VISTA, CA 91910

Fill in case number:

Case Number:**2 Information About My Case**a. The other party in this case is (*full name*): _____b. I have a court date currently scheduled for (*date*): _____**This is not a Court Order.**

3 Is a Temporary Restraining Order in effect?

- Yes. Date the order was made, if known: _____
Please attach a copy of the order if you have one.
- No.
- I don't know.

Notice: If the court date is rescheduled, the *Temporary Restraining Order* (form [CH-110](#)) will remain in effect until the end of the new court date unless otherwise ordered by the court.

4 Why does the court date need to be rescheduled?

- a. I am the person asking for protection, and I need more time to have the restrained party personally served.
- b. I am the restrained party, and this is my first request to reschedule the court date.
- c. Other reason: _____

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the information above is true and correct.

Date: _____

Type or print your name

▶ _____
Sign your name

Date: _____

Lawyer's name, if you have one

▶ _____
Lawyer's signature

This is not a Court Order.

Clerk stamps date here when form is filed.

Complete items ① and ② only.

① **Protected Party:** _____

② **Restrained Party:** _____

_____ **The court will complete the rest of this form** _____

③ **Next Court Date**

a. The request to reschedule the court date is **denied**.

Your court date is: _____

(1) Any *Temporary Restraining Order* (form CH-110) already granted stays in full force and effect until the next court date.

(2) Your court date is not rescheduled because: _____

Fill in court name and street address:

Superior Court of California, County of San Diego

- CENTRAL DIVISION, HALL OF JUSTICE, 330 W. BROADWAY, SAN DIEGO, CA 92101
- EAST COUNTY DIVISION, 250 E. MAIN ST., EL CAJON, CA 92020
- NORTH COUNTY DIVISION, 325 S. MELROSE DR., VISTA, CA 92081
- SOUTH COUNTY DIVISION, 500 3RD AVE., CHULA VISTA, CA 91910

Fill in case number:

Case Number:

b. The request to reschedule the court date is **granted**. Your court date is rescheduled for the day and time listed below. See ④–⑧ for more information.

Name and address of court, if different from above:

New Court Date → Date: _____ Time: _____
 Dept.: _____ Room: _____

④ **Temporary Restraining Order**

a. There is no *Temporary Restraining Order* (TRO) in this case until the next court date because:.

(1) A TRO was not previously granted by the court.

(2) The court terminates (cancels) the previously granted TRO because: _____

b. A *Temporary Restraining Order* (TRO) is still in full force and effect because:

(1) The court extends the TRO previously granted on (date): _____

It now expires on (date): _____

(If no date is listed, the TRO expires at the end of the court date listed in 3b.)

(2) The court changes the TRO previously granted and signs a new TRO (form CH-110).

c. Other (specify): _____

Warning and Notice to the Restrained Party:

If ④ b is checked, a civil harassment restraining order has been issued against you. You must follow the orders until they expire.

This is a Court Order.



5 Reason Court Date Is Rescheduled

a. There is good cause to reschedule the court date (*check one*):

(1) The protected party has not served the restrained party.

(2) Other: _____

b. This is the first time that the restrained party has asked for more time to prepare.

c. The court reschedules the court date on its own motion.

6 Serving (Giving) Order to Other Party

The request to reschedule was made by the:

a. **Protected party**

b. **Restrained party**

c. **Court**

(1) You do not have to serve the restrained party because they or their lawyer were at the court date or agreed to reschedule the court date.

(2) You must have the restrained party personally served with a copy of this order and a copy of all documents listed on form CH-109, item 6, by (date): _____

(3) You must have the restrained party served with a copy of this order. This can be done by mail. You must serve by (date): _____

(4) The court gives you permission to serve the restrained party as listed on the attached form CH-117.

(5) Other: _____

(1) You do not have to serve the protected party because they or their lawyer were at the court date or agreed to reschedule the court date.

(2) You must have the protected party personally served with a copy of this order by (date): _____

(3) You must have the protected party served with a copy of this order. This can be done by mail. You must serve by (date): _____

(4) Other: _____

(1) Further notice is not required.

(2) The court will mail a copy of this order to all parties by (date): _____

(3) Other: _____

This is a Court Order.



7 No Fee to Serve (Notify) Restrained Person **Ordered** **Not Ordered**

The sheriff or marshal will serve this order for free because:

- a. The order is based on unlawful violence, a credible threat of violence, or stalking.
- b. The person in **1** is entitled to a fee waiver.

8 **Other Orders**

Date: _____

Judicial Officer



Request for Accommodations

Assistive listening systems, computer-assisted real-time captioning, or sign language interpreter services are available if you ask at least five days before the hearing. Contact the clerk’s office or go to www.courts.ca.gov/forms.htm for *Disability Accommodation Request (form MC-410)*. (Civ. Code, § 54.8.)

Instructions to Clerk

If the hearing is rescheduled and the court extended, modified, or terminated a temporary restraining order, then the court must enter this order into CLETS or send this order to law enforcement to enter into CLETS. This must be done within one business day from the day the order is made.

—Clerk's Certificate—

Clerk’s Certificate I certify that this *Order on Request to Continue Hearing (Temporary Restraining Order) (CLETS-TCH)* is a true and correct copy of the original on file in the court.
[seal]

Date: _____ Clerk, by _____, Deputy

This is a Court Order.

ATTACHMENT - ADDITIONAL PROTECTED PERSONS

SHORT TITLE:	CASE NUMBER:
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INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE

This form should be used as an attachment to list additional protected persons on:

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|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Civil Harassment (Item 3)
(CH-100; CH-110; CH-130) | <input type="checkbox"/> Elder/Dependent Abuse (Item 3)
(EA-100 (Item 6); EA-110; EA-130) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> School Violence (Item 4)
(SV-100; SV-110; SV-130) | <input type="checkbox"/> Workplace Violence (Item 4)
(WV-100; WV-110; WV-130) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CLETS (Item 4)
(CLETS-001) | |

Additional protected person(s) are:

a. Name:

Sex: M <input type="checkbox"/> F <input type="checkbox"/> Age: _____ Lives with you? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No How is he/she related to you? _____
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b. Name:

Sex: M <input type="checkbox"/> F <input type="checkbox"/> Age: _____ Lives with you? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No How is he/she related to you? _____
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c. Name:

Sex: M <input type="checkbox"/> F <input type="checkbox"/> Age: _____ Lives with you? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No How is he/she related to you? _____
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d. Name:

Sex: M <input type="checkbox"/> F <input type="checkbox"/> Age: _____ Lives with you? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No How is he/she related to you? _____
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e. Name:

Sex: M <input type="checkbox"/> F <input type="checkbox"/> Age: _____ Lives with you? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No How is he/she related to you? _____
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f. Name:

Sex: M <input type="checkbox"/> F <input type="checkbox"/> Age: _____ Lives with you? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No How is he/she related to you? _____
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g. Name:

Sex: M <input type="checkbox"/> F <input type="checkbox"/> Age: _____ Lives with you? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No How is he/she related to you? _____
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What is "service"?

Service is the act of giving your court papers to the other party in your case. There are different ways to serve the other party: in person, by mail, and others.

Why do my court papers need to be served?

Before a judge can grant a civil harassment restraining order (that can last up to five years), the person you want a restraining order against must know about your request and have a chance to go to court to explain their side.

Also, if a restraining order is in place, the police cannot arrest the restrained person for violating the restraining order until the restrained person is served with the order.

What is "personal service"?

Personal service is when someone, known as a server, personally delivers your court papers to the other party.

In most cases, these forms must be served on the other party by personal service:

- ▶ [Form CH-109](#);
- ▶ [Form CH-100](#);
- ▶ [Form CH-110](#);
- ▶ [Form CH-120](#) (leave this form blank);
- ▶ [Form CH-120-INFO](#); and
- ▶ [Form CH-250](#) (leave this form blank).

Who can serve my court papers?

Any adult who is not protected by the restraining order can serve your court papers. **You cannot serve your own court papers.**



Some situations may be dangerous. Think about people's safety when deciding who you want to serve your papers.

A sheriff or marshal will serve your court papers for free if:

- The court granted you a fee waiver; or
- The restraining order is based on stalking, violence, or a credible threat of violence.

A registered process server is a business you pay to deliver papers. To hire a process server, look for "process server" on the internet or in the yellow pages.

How do I have my court papers served?

○ Step 1: Choose a server

The person who gives your court papers to the other party is called a server. Your server must be at least 18-years-old. They must not be protected by the restraining order or involved in your case. This means that you cannot serve your own court papers.

○ Step 2: Have your server give your court papers to the other party

Give your server these instructions:

- ❶ Before you serve the forms, note which forms you have, including the name of the form and the form number. See [form CH-200](#) for a list of forms.
- ❷ Find the person you need to serve. Make sure you are serving the right person by asking the person's name.
- ❸ Give the person the papers. If the person refuses to take the papers, put them on the ground or somewhere next to the person. The person doesn't have to touch or sign for the papers. It is okay if they tear them up.
- ❹ Fill out [form CH-200](#) completely and sign.
- ❺ File [form CH-200](#) with the court or give [form CH-200](#) to the person who is asking for the restraining order so they can file it.

○ Step 3: File proof with the court

The court needs proof that service happened and that it was done correctly. If your server was successful, have your server fully complete and sign [form CH-200](#). **The person you want restrained does not sign anything.**

File [form CH-200](#) with the court in your case as soon as possible. This information will automatically go into a restraining order database that police have access to.

If the sheriff or marshal served your court papers, they may use another form for proof besides [form CH-200](#). Make sure a copy is filed with the court and that you get a copy.



When is the deadline to serve my court papers?

It depends. To know the exact date, you need to look at two items on [form CH-109](#). Follow these steps:

- **Step 1: Look at the court date listed under ③ on page 1.**

③ **Notice of Court Hearing**
A court hearing is scheduled on

Hearing Date → Date: _____
Dept.: _____

- **Step 2: Look at the number of days written in ⑥ on page 2.**

⑥ **Service of Documents by the Person**
At least five ___ days before the

- **Step 3: Look at a calendar.** Subtract the number of days in ⑥ from the court date. That's the deadline to have your court papers served. It's okay to serve your court papers before the deadline.

If nothing is written in ⑥, you must have your court papers served at least five days before your court date.

What happens if I can't get my court papers served before the court date?

You will need to ask the court to reschedule (continue) your court date. Fill out and file [form CH-115](#) and [form CH-116](#). These forms ask the judge for a new court date and to make any temporary orders last until the end of the new court date.

If the judge gives you a new court date, the person you want restrained will have to be served with [form CH-115](#), [form CH-116](#), and the original papers you filed. You should keep a copy of [form CH-115](#), [form CH-116](#), and a copy of your original paperwork. That way, the police will know your orders are still in effect.

For more information on asking for a new court date, read form [CH-115-INFO](#).

What if the other party is avoiding (evading) service or cannot be located?

If you've tried many times to serve the the restrained person, and you can show the judge that the restrained person is avoiding (evading) service or cannot be located, you may ask the court to allow you to serve another way. If you want to make this request, at your first court date tell the judge details about your attempts to have the restrained person served. The judge may require a written statement for this.

Read form [CH-205-INFO](#), *What If the Person I Want Protection from Is Avoiding (Evading) Service or Cannot Be Located?*, for more information.

Clerk stamps date here when form is filed.

1 Person Seeking Protection

Name: _____

2 Person From Whom Protection Is Sought

Name: _____

3 Notice to Server

The server must:

- Be 18 years of age or older.
- Not be listed in items ① or ③ of form CH-100.
- Give a copy of all documents checked in ④ to the person in ②. (You cannot send them by mail.) Then complete and sign this form and give or mail it to the person in ①.



Fill in court name and street address:

Superior Court of California, County of San Diego

- CENTRAL DIVISION, HALL OF JUSTICE, 330 W. BROADWAY, SAN DIEGO, CA 92101
- EAST COUNTY DIVISION, 250 E. MAIN ST., EL CAJON, CA 92020
- NORTH COUNTY DIVISION, 325 S. MELROSE DR., VISTA, CA 92081
- SOUTH COUNTY DIVISION, 500 3RD AVE., CHULA VISTA, CA 91910

Court fills in case number when form is filed.

Case Number:

PROOF OF PERSONAL SERVICE

4 I gave the person in ② a copy of the forms checked below:

- a. CH-109, *Notice of Court Hearing*
- b. CH-110, *Temporary Restraining Order*
- c. CH-100, *Request for Civil Harassment Restraining Orders*
- d. CH-120, *Response to Request for Civil Harassment Restraining Orders* (blank form)
- e. CH-120-INFO, *How Can I Respond to a Request for Civil Harassment Restraining Orders?*
- f. CH-130, *Civil Harassment Restraining Order After Hearing*
- g. CH-250, *Proof of Service by Mail* (blank form)
- h. CH-800, *Receipt for Firearms and Firearm Parts* (blank form)
- i. Other (*specify*): _____

5 I personally gave copies of the documents checked above to the person in ②:

- a. On (*date*): _____ b. At (*time*): _____ a.m. p.m.
- c. At this address: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

6 Server's Information

Name: _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
 Telephone: _____

(If you are a registered process server):

County of registration: _____ Registration number: _____

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the information above is true and correct.

Date: _____

 Type or print server's name

▶ _____
 Server to sign here