Orange County Superior Court REVISED CRIMINAL AND TRAFFIC PLANS DURING CLOSURE March 17, 2020 – March 27, 2020

Updated as of 3-20-2020 (8:20 a.m.)

The Orange County Superior Court continues to be closed to the public.

Effective March 20, 2020, CJ1 will suspend its operations. The only criminal hearings that will be held tomorrow (March 20, 2020) are:

- 1. Preliminary hearings in which the defendant has not waived the right to a preliminary hearing within 10 court days or 60 calendar days.
- 2. Emergency motions for relief.

All requests to place emergency motions on calendar must be submitted to the respective justice center's fax or email address. Once a request is received, the Court will review the request ex parte and inform moving party telephonically and by minute whether and/or when the matter will be heard.

Requests to appear via video conference must be submitted via email to the respective department. If approved, Court staff will email a link to appear via video conference.

Justice Center	Department	Fax Number	Email Address
Central Justice Center	Dept. C55	(714) 647-4821	FaxC55@occourts.org
Harbor Justice Center	Dept. C60	(714) 647-4819	FaxC60@occourts.org
North Justice Center	Dept. C58	(714) 647-4823	FaxC58@occourts.org
West Justice Center	Dept. C57	(714) 647-4847	FaxC57@occourts.org
Department C5		(714) 647-4848	FaxC5@occourts.org

The Court continues to encourage the use of 977 authority, where permissible, and is facilitating video and/or telephonic appearances in these unprecedented times. The court believes this will allow us to comply with COVID-19 safety precautions and prevent the spread of the virus within our community while addressing emergency and essential matters.