



Orange County Superior Court 2026 Temporary Judge Training Information

As mandated by rules 2.812 and 2.813 of the California Rules of Court (“CRC”), you may not serve as a Temporary Judge unless you first attend **3 hours** of training in the following two areas (i.e., 6 hours total):

1. Judicial Ethics
2. Bench Conduct & Demeanor

Location: Central Justice Center, 700 Civic Center Drive West, Santa Ana, CA 92701

Judicial Ethics and Bench Conduct & Demeanor:

- April 25, 2026: 9:00 AM - 12:15 PM & 1:15 PM - 4:30 PM (Ethics & Bench)
- April 29, 2026: 4:00 PM - 7:15 PM (Ethics or Bench)
- April 30, 2026: 4:00 PM - 7:15 PM (Ethics or Bench)

Please note that the above training is mandatory for all attorneys who serve as Temporary Judges in Orange County. **Online training will not be accepted as a substitute in these two areas.**

In addition, CRC rules 2.812 and 2.813, and Code of Civil Procedure section 116.240 subdivision (b) mandate that Temporary Judges also take a three (3) hour or more course on the substantive law in each subject area in which the attorney will serve as a Temporary Judge. You will be required to complete the following training, **which is dependent upon your selected/approved panel assignment(s)**:

- Civil Small Claims: *May 8, 2026 – 1:30 – 4:30p.m. – Dept C18.*** The online course available from the California Center for Judicial Education and Research (CJER) **is not considered a substitution for the in-person training** http://www2.courtinfo.ca.gov/cjer/pro_tem.htm. This may be taken as a supplement to your in-person training.
Note: (If you haven't previously served as a Temporary Judge during the last term, you must also observe a small claims calendar in person)
 - [Civil Small Claims Training Registration Form](#)
- Civil Unlawful Detainer: *May 20, 2026 – 2:30p.m. – 4:00p.m. – Dept. C53.*** Please take the online course available from the California Center for Judicial Education and Research (CJER) **prior** to the live training at: http://www2.courtinfo.ca.gov/cjer/pro_tem.htm. At the completion of the online course, you will be directed to a link to the course certificate of completion. Forward a copy of this certificate **by June 5, 2026**, via email to temporaryjudgeprogram@occourts.org or by fax to 714.647.4825.
Note: (If you haven't previously served as a Temporary Judge during the last term, you must also observe an unlawful detainer calendar in person)
 - [Civil Unlawful Detainer Training Registration Form](#)



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- **Civil Harassments:** *May 12, 2026 – 1:30 – 3:00p.m. – Dept. C64.*
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Note: (If you haven't previously served as a Temporary Judge during the last term, you must also attend a civil harassments calendar in person)
 - [Civil Harassments Training Registration Form](#)

- **Civil Settlement Conference:** *June 5, 2026 – 1:30p.m. – 4:30p.m. – Dept. C6*
 - [Civil Settlement Conference Training Registration Form](#)

- **Collaborative Courts:** *May 15, 2026 – 1:30p.m. – 4:30p.m. – Dept. C46.*
 - [Collaborative Courts Training Registration Form](#)

- **Family Law Petition for Name and Gender Change, Case Management and Status Conference, Defaults, Settlement Conference, Self-Represented Parties, and Family Law ELF:** *May 14, 2026 – 1:30 – 5:00p.m. – Lamoreaux Justice Center – 3rd Floor Training Room.*
Note: **You do not need to stay for the Family ELF training from 4:30 – 5p.m. if you already had training in the past. This portion of the training does not qualify for MCLE credit.**
 - [Family Law Training Registration Form](#)

- **Probate:** *June 12, 2026 – 1:30p.m. – 4:30p.m. – Dept. CM1.*
 - [Probate Settlement Conference Training Registration Form](#)

- **Traffic Cases and Criminal ELF:** *May 28, 2026 – 1:30p.m.- 5:00p.m. – Dept. C6.*
The online course available on the California Center for Judicial Education and Research (CJER) **is not considered a substitution for the in-person training:** http://www2.courtinfo.ca.gov/cjer/pro_tem.htm. This may be taken as a supplement to your in-person training.
Note: **You do not need to stay for the Criminal ELF training from 4:30 – 5p.m. if you already had training in the past. This portion of the training does not qualify for MCLE credit.**
 - [Traffic Cases and Criminal Electronic Legal File Training Registration Form](#)

Each course is eligible for MCLE credit. Please contact Trinity Mai at temporaryjudgeprogram@occourts.org if you have questions not answered by this document.