Superior Court of California
County of Orange
ANNOUNCEMENT

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Effective January 2, 2024,

Court Expands Family Law eFiling to Include Ex-Parte Filings

Santa Ana, CA – Effective January 2, 2024, the Orange County Superior Court will expand mandatory eFiling for attorneys in Family Law cases **to include all ex-parte filings**. In addition, form L-1124 Declaration Re Notice of Ex-Parte Application has been updated for use.

Pursuant to section 1010.6 of the Code of Civil Procedure, rule 2.253(b)(2) of the California Rules of Court, Orange County Superior Court Rule 700.7, all documents filed by attorneys in Family Law cases, other than documents listed on the exception list specified below, must be filed electronically unless the Court excuses party from doing so. The electronic filing of documents must be effected using the court's electronic service providers. Electronic service provider information is available on the Court's website at www.occourts.org/online-services/efiling/family-efiling. Self-represented parties are exempt from the mandatory electronic filing requirement set forth in Orange County Superior Court Local Rule 700.7 but are strongly encouraged to participate voluntarily in electronic filing.

Following Documents Remain on the Exception List and are not accepted via eFiling:

- Adoptions -Memos to Set
- Any Appellate Documents
- Application for Publication/ Posting
- Bonds
- Judgments
- Out-of-State Registration Filings
- Request for Dismissal
- Requests for Statement of Decision
- Proposed Statement of Decision
- Objection & Opposition to Statement of Decision
- Special Immigrant Juvenile Findings that include a FL-935 *Application and Order for Appointment of Guardian Ad Litem (GAL)*
- Subpoenaed Documents
- Surrogacy Filing
- Trial Exhibits (if not ordered to submit via the Portal)
- Writs

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