



Superior Court of California County of Orange

Chambers of

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PRESIDING JUDGE

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APPELLATE DIVISION ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 26/01 USE OF GENERATIVE ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

Generative artificial intelligence (AI) tools that supply natural language answers to user prompts, such as ChatGPT, Harvey, CoCounsel, Claude, Grok, and Google Gemini, are now in wide use.

Counsel and self-represented parties are responsible for providing the court with complete and accurate representations of the record, procedural history, and cited legal authorities. Use of generative AI is not prohibited, but counsel or the self-represented party must personally confirm for themselves the accuracy of any research conducted by these means, and counsel or the self-represented party alone bears ethical responsibility for all statements made in filings. The signature or listing of counsel or a self-represented party on a filing containing AI-generated content, including citations generated by AI, constitutes a certification the signer (and any attorney or other self-represented party listed on the filing) has personally verified the content's accuracy. The court will impute any errors by such AI tools to the signer and any other attorney or self-represented party listed on the filing.

Counsel for a party, or a self-represented party, choosing to use generative AI or other automated tools shall fully comply with any applicable protective order and all applicable ethical/legal obligations in their use, disclosure to, submission to, or other interaction with any such AI tools.

Failure to verify the accuracy of submissions, particularly the accuracy of citations to law and evidence, may be grounds for sanctions or disciplinary action before the State Bar.

IT IS SO ORDERED this 6th day of August, 2026, in Orange County, California.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kimberly A. Knill".

Kimberly A. Knill
Appellate Division Presiding Judge