



Superior Court of California County of Orange

NOTICE

To all Sheriff Departments, County-Clerk Recorder Offices
and other agencies who receive Court documents

In an effort to increase efficiency, reduce costs, and decrease environmental impacts, the Orange County Superior Court has gone paperless for civil actions. Pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure section 1010.6 subdivision (d),¹ the Court has established a pilot project mandating electronic filing in all limited, unlimited, and complex civil actions. See Orange County Superior Court Local Rule 352. Because these court records are created and maintained in a digital format, the original court record may be electronically verified, signed, or sealed.

PLEASE BE ADVISED: DOCUMENTS GENERATED BY THE ORANGE COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT MAY HAVE DIGITAL SIGNATURES, SEALS, AND/OR STAMPS THAT ARE VALID AND ENFORCEABLE.

Government Code section 68150 authorizes trial court records to be created electronically. Any notice, order, judgment, warrant, or similar document issued by the Orange County Superior Court or one of its judicial officers may be signed, subscribed, or verified using a computer or other technologic means, and shall have the same validity, and the same legal force and effect, as paper documents signed, subscribed, or verified by a trial court or a judicial officer. (Gov. Code, § 68150 subd. (g).)

Code of Civil Procedure section 1010.6 subdivision (b) and California Rules of Court, rule 2.257 outline the requirements for signatures for documents submitted electronically to the court. A document that is filed electronically shall have the same legal effect as an original paper document. For additional information, please visit the Orange County Superior Court website at www.occourts.org.

¹ Code of Civil Procedure section 1010.6 subdivision (d) was enacted by Assembly Bill 2073 effective January 1, 2013.