

Superior Court of California, County of El Dorado PUBLIC NOTICE RE: ZOOM VIDEOCONFERENCE APPEARANCE (July 12, 2021)

Pursuant to the <u>Emergency Rules Related to COVID-19</u> adopted by the Judicial Council of California the Superior Court of El Dorado County (Court) has modified its operations to permit videoconference appearance using the Zoom Platform. Therefore, each department will determine those calendars and/or matters in which parties will be permitted to appear by Zoom videoconference.

To ensure all matters are scheduled for videoconference in a timely manner and that matters are ready to proceed at the designated date and time, the Court is formalizing the process by which a Zoom videoconference may be requested. To request to appear by Zoom videoconferencing, an Application for Videoconference Appearance and Order (Local Form M-51) must be submitted to the Court. This form is available at www.eldoradocourt.org/forms/localforms.html. Information on Court locations is available at www.eldoradocourt.org/generalinfo/locations-contact.html.

Unless otherwise ordered and/or directed by a judicial officer, the Local Form M-51 must be submitted to the Court no less than two (2) full court days prior to the date of the scheduled matter. For example, if a matter is being heard on Friday the Local Form M-51 would need to be submitted in the drop box or received by the Clerk's Office by 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday of the same week, holiday/closures excluded. A judicial officer will issue an order on the request for videoconference appearance. If the request is granted, the Court will arrange for the videoconferencing appearance and notice the person(s) who will appear by videoconference.

Note: Under emergency circumstances (e.g., COVID-19 related or sudden injury/illness), the Court may accept requests to appear by Zoom videoconference by contacting the Clerk's Office and/or department in which the matter is scheduled to be heard. The judicial officer will determine whether or not to approve the emergency request to appear by videoconferencing.

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