

1 not required to efile are strongly encouraged to voluntarily do so
2 to minimize the health risks associated with traveling to the
3 Court. A drop box has been located outside the B.F. Sisk
4 Courthouse and will be available for filing papers Monday through
5 Friday from 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.

6 All civil unlimited mandatory settlement conferences, trial
7 readiness hearings and trials (jury and court) scheduled to occur
8 from Monday, March 23, 2020, through Thursday, June 18, 2020,
9 inclusive, will be rescheduled to occur on later dates in 2020 and
10 2021. All of these cases are being re-noticed for Trial Setting
11 Conferences to be held in Department 502 on Monday, June 8, 2020,
12 and Tuesday, June 9, 2020. Appearance by CourtCall is strongly
13 encouraged. The new settlement conference, trial readiness, and
14 trial dates will be assigned at that time based upon a case-by-
15 case assessment. All deadlines which are dictated by the trial
16 date will be based upon the continued new trial date, including
17 but not limited to, Discovery Act cutoffs and summary
18 judgment/summary adjudication cut offs.

19 All Case Management Conferences scheduled to occur from March
20 23, 2020, through June 19, 2020, inclusive, will be continued.
21 Notices of the new date will be sent in each case. Please also
22 check Odyssey for information on your case.

23 Civil Law and Motion matters will be continued. Law and
24 Motion hearings will resume after June 19, 2020. Notices will be
25 sent regarding specific hearing dates and times. Please also check
26 Odyssey for information on your case. Appearances for oral
27 argument shall be via CourtCall until further notice. The Court
28 will post amendments to the Local Rules regarding tentative

1 rulings and oral argument. New dates will not be provided for
2 petitions for compromise set from March 23, 2020 through June 19,
3 2020, inclusive. Parties with a petition for compromise set should
4 continue to file the petitions and orders. Judges will review
5 these matters and issue rulings. Rulings will be served via mail
6 on the parties and will be entered into Odyssey. Please also check
7 Odyssey for information on your case.

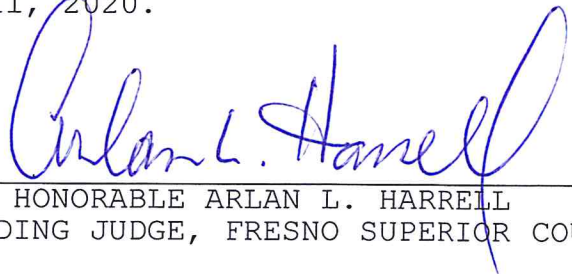
8 A process may be available for remote settlement conferences
9 with judicial officers. Please check the Court's website for
10 updates. Local Rule 4.1.9 regarding ex parte communications with
11 judicial officers is suspended until further notice.

12 Ex parte requests will be addressed on a case-by-case basis.
13 The Court will review ex parte requests to determine if an
14 emergency exists. If the Court determines that the ex parte
15 request involves a true emergency the Court will authorize the
16 hearing to go forward via CourtCall.

17 Fresno Superior Court Local Rule 2.1.17 was amended April 6,
18 2020. The amended rule is posted on the Court's website.

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20 THIS ORDER IS EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY.

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22 DATED this 30th day of April, 2020.

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26 HONORABLE ARLAN L. HARRELL
27 PRESIDING JUDGE, FRESNO SUPERIOR COURT
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