



Superior Court, County of Ventura

NOTICE

August 30, 2021

Family Law Returns to In-Person Appearances on September 14, 2021

Pursuant to Amended Administrative Order 21.18, the Family Law Division will return to in-person appearances effective September 14, 2021, for: (1) court hearings and (2) mediations (conducted by Family Court Services), with the following exceptions:

- For a first appearance on a Request for Order, Ex Parte request for temporary emergency orders or TRO, OR for mediations, any party located out of state or 120 miles or more from the courthouse may appear by Zoom. (Attorneys must appear in person)
- Any attorney who is opposing an ex parte and is out of state or 120 miles or more from the courthouse may appear by Zoom for the ex parte hearing only.
- Ex Parte requests for restraining orders assigned to Courtrooms 31, 32, 33 or 35 where the requesting party is being assisted by the Family Justice Center. The requesting party, only, may appear by Zoom.
- All Domestic Violence Restraining Order hearings scheduled in Courtroom 34 where the requesting party is being assisted by the Family Justice Center unless otherwise ordered by the judicial officer.
- All child support cases scheduled in Courtroom 34 involving the Department of Child Support Services will be conducted by Zoom.
- Appearance by Zoom is authorized for any party or attorney who has an unexpected illness or unanticipated emergency. For court hearings, notice must be given to the opposing attorney (or party, if no attorney) and a call must be made to the judicial secretary for the assigned courtroom. For mediations, call Family Court Services at (805) 289-8735.

The Children's Waiting Room will remain closed until further notice, so parties must arrange for an adult to watch children while parents are in mediation.