SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF KINGS

Public Notice of Proposed Reduction in Hours and Staffing at the Corcoran Division of the Kings County Superior Court, Effective Monday, May 13, 2013 [Cal. Govt. Code § 68106]

The State of California is faced with a fiscal crisis that has had a continuing adverse impact on Court operations. All State Government Agencies have closely examined their operations and expenditures to identify potential cost efficiencies. Furloughs, layoffs, some salary freezes, and a Court closure have already been undertaken by the Kings County Superior Court to address its current fiscal emergency. Additional steps are still required, however. After much consideration, it has been determined that a minimal reduction to the hours of operation of the Corcoran Division presents the least amount of inconvenience to the public, while offering necessary cost-savings and administrative benefits to the Court.

Pursuant to California Government Code Section 68106, the Superior Court of Kings County hereby gives notice of its proposed intent to reduce, on a daily basis, the hours of operation of its Corcoran Division located at 1000 Chittenden Avenue in Corcoran, California. Specifically, the Corcoran Division of the Kings County Superior Court will close between 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. on every Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday on which it is scheduled to operate. During this time, a drop box will be provided where the public may submit documents and payments for processing. Documents and payments deposited within the Court's drop box between 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. will be deemed filed/received on the date of submission. This proposed change will take effect Monday, May 13, 2013.

Nothing contained herein shall alter the Corcoran Division's current Friday closure time of 11:30 a.m.

Any interested person or entity wishing to comment on the court's plan of action should direct the same, on or before May 10, 2013, to Todd H. Barton, Court Executive Officer at 1426 South Drive, Superior Court, Hanford, California, 93230. You may also send your comments via email to tbarton@kings.courts.ca.gov. All public input will be considered.