

Superior Court of the State of California County of Kings

Nocona Soboleski
Court Executive Officer
and
Clerk of the Court

NOTICE OF PROPOSED ADOPTION OR AMENDMENT OF LOCAL RULES

(Pursuant to Cal. R. Ct., rule 10.613)

To:

- The State Bar of California
- The Attorney General, State of California
- Local Bar Associations, Kings and adjoining Counties
- Office of the District Attorney, Kings and Adjoining Counties
- Office of the County Counsel, Kings and adjoining Counties
- Contracted Defense Counsel of Kings County
- Office of the Public Defender in Adjoining Counties
- Interested Others

Please be advised that on or before May 17, 2023, the Judges of the Kings County Superior Court will adopt additions and/or amendments to the official Local Rules of Court, to be effective on July 1, 2023.

On or before April 1, 2023, copies of all rules proposed for adoption and/or amendment will be posted on the Court's website (http://www.kings.courts.ca.gov) for review in conformity with Rule 10.613 of the California Rules of Court. In addition, paper copies of the Rules will be available for review in the Clerk's Office of each Division of the Kings County Superior Court.

The Court specifically invites any comments you may desire to make regarding the Court's proposed Rule changes. Requests for paper copies of the proposed changes to the Rules, and any comments on the proposed rules must be addressed as follows:

Nocona Soboleski, Executive Officer and Clerk of the Court Superior Court of California, Kings County 1640 Kings County Drive Hanford, California 93230

Comments must be received before 9:00 a.m. on May 16, 2023.

Thank you for your continuing assistance to us in maintaining and improving the administration and effectiveness of our local trial court rules.

NOCONA SOBOLESKI Superior Court Executive Officer and Clerk of the Court Publisher of Trial Court Rules

PROPOSED LOCAL RULES (Effective 7/1/2023)

The Kings County Superior Court proposes to add or amend the following Local Rules to become effective on July 1, 2023

RULE 120 – Record on Appeal to the Appellate Division

Pursuant to the following California Rules of Court, the court elects to use the original trial court file as the record of the written documents from the trial court proceedings for appeals to the appellate division of the superior court instead of a clerk's transcript in the following types of cases: (1) Limited civil appeals pursuant to Rule 8.830(a)(1)(B) and Rule 8.833 of the California Rules of Court; (2) Appeals from a misdemeanor convictions pursuant to Rule 8.860(a)(1)(B) and Rule 8.863 of the California Rules of Court; and (3) Appeals from infractions pursuant to Rule 8.910(a)(1)(B) and Rule 8.914 of the California Rules of Court.

(Eff. 7/1/10; amended eff. 7/1/23)

RULE 209 – Mandatory Mediation

All parties who are represented by counsel, and who estimate that their trial will be five (5) days or longer must engage in mediation prior to the scheduled mandatory settlement conference date. If the mediation is completed but unsuccessful at resolving the case, and the parties stipulate that the mediation was meaningful and conducted in good faith, then the settlement conference can (upon request) be removed by the court.

(Eff. 7/1/23)

RULE 301 – Setting Law and Motion Hearing

Prior to the filing of any law and motion matter, parties that e-file will need to suggest three (3) hearing dates and submit those proposed hearing dates with their pleadings. The clerk will review the court's calendar to determine which date is available and will include the hearing date when the court returns the document to the filing party.

(Eff. 1/1/99; amended 7/1/08; eff. amended 7/1/23)