

**Superior Court of California
County of Solano**

Rule 1 – General Provisions

1.1 ADOPTION OF LOCAL RULES

The Superior Court of California, County of Solano hereby adopts these local rules pursuant to California Government Code section 68070 and Code of Civil Procedure sections 575.1 and 575.2. Unless otherwise stated in an individual rule, the term “court” as used in these local rules shall mean the Superior Court of California, County of Solano.

(Rule 1.1 amended effective January 1, 2010; adopted effective January 1, 1998.)

1.2 DIVISIONS OF THE COURT; ASSIGNMENT OF SUPERVISING JUDGES

The court shall be divided into five judicial divisions: the Criminal Division, the Civil Division, the Family Division, the Juvenile Division, and the Appellate Division. The court’s Presiding Judge shall appoint the presiding judge of the Juvenile Division and the supervising judges of all other divisions.

(Rule 1.2 amended effective July 1, 2014; adopted effective January 1, 1998; previously amended effective January 1, 2010.)

1.3 DIRECT CALENDARING

All matters pending in the court on January 1, 1998, or filed after January 1, 1998, shall be directly calendared to be heard by one judge for all purposes. If the name of the judge is announced in open court, this announcement shall be deemed adequate and appropriate notice to the parties and attorneys present of the assignment for all purposes.

(Rule 1.3 amended and renumbered effective January 1, 2010; adopted as Rule 1.4 effective January 1, 1998.)

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1.4 REASSIGNMENT UPON DISQUALIFICATION OF JUDICIAL OFFICER OR FOR OTHER CAUSE

When a judicial officer is disqualified, either on a peremptory challenge, for cause, or by the judicial officer’s own determination, the matter shall be referred to the presiding judge for reassignment. The reassignment shall be made by the presiding judge or designee, or the supervising or presiding judge of the division, upon the delegation of that authority by the presiding judge, and shall be for all purposes. A matter reassigned to a judicial officer for any other reason shall likewise be for all purposes, unless otherwise ordered by the Presiding Judge or by the Supervising Judge of the division.

(Rule 1.4 amended effective January 1, 2012; adopted as Rule 1.6 effective January 1, 1998; amended and renumbered effective January 1, 2010.)

1.5 DIGITAL SIGNATURES

The use of digital signatures on documents filed with the Court is allowed, and shall have the same force and effect as the use of a manual signature, if it complies with all of the requirements of Government Code section 16.5(a)(1)-(5). No other form of electronic signatures will be accepted. A party who files a document containing a digital signature under this rule represents that the signer’s certificate or similar verification document is maintained in the party’s possession or control, and is subject to production upon request from the Court.

(Rule 1.5 adopted effective January 1, 2020)