

## PUBLIC NOTICE

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## NEW JURY TRIALS RESUME ON FEBRUARY 16, 2021 WITH SAFETY PROTOCOLS IN PLACE

**SAN BERNARDINO, CA**–Effective February 16, 2021, San Bernardino Superior Court (SBSC) will begin to resume new jury trials due to the State of California lifting its regional-stay-at-home order on January 25, 2021. SBSC continues to follow all Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidelines, along with state and local public health orders to ensure the safety of all court users, judicial officers, and employees while balancing access to justice during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Many safety protocols are in place to ensure jurors, along with all court users, remain safe while inside any court location including, but not limited to:

- Limiting the number of jurors called in at one time
- Enforcing social distancing during the entire jury process
- Face masks required at all times
- Increased cleaning and sanitation
- Restricted elevator use
- Required health screenings
- Fewer trials in session at one time
- Use of off-site and on-site alternative locations for jury pooling at every location

For more information, please view the <u>Roadmap to Pandemic Operations</u> <u>for Jury</u>. As a reminder, do not come into any court location if you have COVID-19, have been exposed to someone with COVID-19, feeling ill, or have been asked to quarantine by a healthcare professional. All court users are encouraged to take the <u>self-screening assessment</u>, and view this <u>flyer</u> and <u>video</u> for safety protocols in place.

Members of the public are encouraged to frequently check SBSC's website (<u>www.sb-court.org</u>), social media accounts (<u>Twitter</u> and

<u>Facebook</u>), and designated COVID-19 page (<u>www.sb-court.org/covid-19</u>) for the latest services available to the public.

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