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To: Family Lawyers and Litigants
From: Judge Randy Rosenbaum
Re: Changes due to Coronavirus
Date: March 19, 2020

The newest information from Public Health officials is that there should be gatherings no larger than 10 people. To that extent, the Court must reduce the number of individuals who appear in Courtroom G, particularly at the 1:15 calls.

UPDATED INFORMATION

1. For all cases set today and next week, my clerk is making a docket entry that “the courthouse is closed and that counsel must reschedule with the clerk.”
2. On uncontested Monday and Wednesday calls through April 30, the only cases that the Court will hear in person are prove-ups, withdrawals of counsel and any other matter the Court permits by request.
3. Litigants are not required to appear for prove-ups with no children if there is a verified petition or stipulation as to grounds and the parties, or counsel, have signed necessary documents.
4. Name changes set next week must be rescheduled but no new publication notice is required.
5. The Court will authorize online parenting education through April 30 for those programs that counsel verify meet the Court’s requirements.
6. Cases set for status, appointment of mediator, appointment of LGAL and case management, should be conducted via email with the Judge and those court dates are to be vacated or rescheduled.
7. Cases where counsel must discuss matters with the Court, the Court is establishing 15-minute phone conference times on the mornings of March 30 and April 2. Please contact the court clerk to set up a time (it would be beneficial if two attorneys have multiple cases simply to set them all for the same time period).
8. The Court will be in contact with counsel and parties about rescheduling trials set next week.
9. For other matters, such as contested Tuesday and Thursday calls set in April, the Court encourages parties to discuss matters and set up a phone conference or agree to reschedule into May or June, if possible. If matters are not rescheduled, the Court, on its own, may reschedule those that are not emergencies, as outlined in the Court’s previous Notice.