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*Presiding Judge*  
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**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF ALAMEDA**  
**GENERAL DIRECTIVE BY THE PRESIDING JUDGE**

**DIRECTIVE NO: 2026-19**

**SUBJECT:            SUCCESSION OF LEADERSHIP**

To ensure that decision-making authority is uninterrupted in the event of an emergency, the succession of leadership among the Court's judicial officers shall be as follows:

- Presiding Judge
- Assistant Presiding Judge
- Immediate Past Presiding Judge
- The most senior as between the Supervising Judge of Civil and the Supervising Judge of Criminal
- The junior as between the Supervising Judge of Civil and the Supervising Judge of Criminal

Further, the succession of leadership for Court Administration shall be as follows:

- Executive Officer
- Assistant Executive Officer
- Finance Director
- Directors of the Court's Operational Divisions, in order of seniority from most to least senior
- IT Director
- Human Resources Director
- Facilities Manager
- Administrator of Executive Office Projects and Programs