



**Superior Court of California
COUNTY OF ALAMEDA**

September 17, 2025

Notice to Attorneys and to All Interested Parties:

Invitation to Comment on Proposed Amendments to Local Rules and Forms

As required by California Rules of Court, Rule 10.613(g), the Superior Court of California, County of Alameda hereby distributes for public comment the attached proposal to amend its local rule.

The proposal also may be viewed [here](#) or [here](#). In addition, a hard copy of the proposal is available upon request by email at pcomments@alameda.courts.ca.gov or by phone at 510-891-6012.

Important dates:

- The last day to comment is **November 3, 2025, at 5:00 p.m.**
- The proposed amendment takes effect upon approval of the Chair of the Judicial Council or on **January 1, 2026**, whichever is sooner.

Text of Proposed Rules and Amendments: *see attached.*

Comments must be submitted in writing to:

Public Comments
Superior Court of California, County of Alameda
1225 Fallon Street, Room 209
Oakland, CA 94612
E-mail: pcomments@alameda.courts.ca.gov

Title 1. General and Administrative Rules

Chapter 1. General and Administrative Rules

Rule 1.9. Filing documents in civil, family law, probate, False Claims Act, and CARE Act cases

(a) When this rule does not apply

This rule does not apply to documents filed electronically in compliance with section 1010.6 of the Code of Civil Procedure and California Rule of Court, rules 2.250-2.261.

(b) Filing documents in a civil case

Except as provided in subparagraphs (c) – (h), all documents to be filed in a civil case must be presented for filing at the René C. Davidson Courthouse, Room 109, 1225 Fallon Street, Oakland, California 94612 or the office of the civil clerk located at the Hayward Hall of Justice, 24405 Amador Street, Hayward, California 94544.

(c) Filing documents in a family law case

All documents to be filed in an action filed under the Family Code must be presented for filing at the office of the family law clerk located at the Hayward Hall of Justice, 24405 Amador Street, Hayward, California 94544. All documents to be filed in a case requesting issuance of a protective order under Family Code section 6200 et seq. (Domestic Violence Prevention Act) may also be filed at the René C. Davidson Courthouse, Room 109, 1225 Fallon Street, Oakland, California 94612.

(d) Filing documents in a probate case

All documents to be filed in a proceeding under the Probate Code must be presented for filing at the Berkeley Courthouse, 2120 Martin Luther King, Jr. Way, Berkeley, California 94704.

(d) Filing documents in proceedings under the False Claims Act or the Lanterman-Petris-Short Act

All documents to be filed in a case brought under Government Code sections 12650-12656 (False Claims Act) or Welfare and Institutions Code sections 5000 et seq. (Lanterman-Petris-Short Act) must be presented for filing at the René C. Davidson Courthouse, Room 109, 1225 Fallon Street, Oakland, California 94612.

(f) Filing documents in proceedings requesting issuance of certain protective orders

All documents to be filed in a case requesting issuance of a protective order under

Welfare and Institutions Code section 15657.03 (Elder Abuse and Dependent Adult Civil Protection Act), Code of Civil Procedure section 527.6 (Civil Harassment Prevention), Code of Civil Procedure section 527.85 (Private Postsecondary School Violence Prevention), or Code of Civil Procedure section 527.8 (Workplace Violence Safety Act) must be presented for filing at the René C. Davidson Courthouse, Room 109, 1225 Fallon Street, Oakland, California 94612 or the Hayward Hall of Justice, 24405 Amador Street, Hayward, California 94544.

(g) Filing documents in an adoption case

All documents to be filed in an adoption case must be presented for filing at ~~the René C. Davidson Courthouse, Room 109, 1225 Fallon Street, Oakland, California 94612;~~ or the office of the civil clerk located at Hayward Hall of Justice, Room 108, 24405 Amador Street, Hayward, California 94544.

(h) Filing documents in proceedings under the Community Assistance, Recovery, and Empowerment (CARE) Act

All documents to be filed in a CARE Act proceeding must be presented for filing at the Rene C. Davidson Courthouse, Room 109, 1225 Fallon Street, Oakland, California 94612; the office of the civil clerk located at Hayward Hall of Justice, Room 108, 24405 Amador Street, Hayward, California 94544; or the Berkeley Courthouse, 2120 Martin Luther King, Jr. Way, Berkeley, California 94704.

(i) Copies of file-endorsed documents filed by mail or drop box

Filers may obtain file-endorsed copies of documents that are filed by mail or drop box in the following ways:

(1) Processed documents will be returned by mail to all filers who include a postage-paid, self-addressed envelope with their filings.

(2) Where permitted under rule 2.503 of the California Rules of Court, processed documents will be available online through the eCourt Public Portal at <https://eportal.alameda.courts.ca.gov/>.

(3) Filers may return to the courthouse at which the documents were filed to pick up file-endorsed copies in person.

Rule 1.9 proposed amended effective ~~July 1, 2025~~ January 1, 2026; adopted as rule 1.13 effective January 1, 2004 and renumbered effective July 1, 2007; previously amended effective July 1, 2025, January 1, 2008, July 1, 2008, January 1, 2012, January 1, 2013, July 1, 2015, and July 1, 2016, July 1, 2018.