In-Person Hearings

Depts. 516 and 522

Starting on May 16, 2022, the following Family Law hearings will be held in-person in Depts. 516 and 522 at the Hayward Hall of Justice:

- Request for Order
- Order to Show Cause
- Domestic Violence Restraining Order
- Long Cause Hearings and Trials
- Settlement Conferences

You may request a remote hearing (or object to the other party's request for a remote hearing)

If you wish to appear remotely, file and serve a "Notice of Remote Appearance," (Form RA-10, available at https://www.courts.ca.gov/documents/ra010.pdf), at least 10 court days before the hearing. If you received less than 15 days' notice of the hearing, you must file and serve the RA-10 at least five court days before the hearing. You must email a courtesy copy of the RA-10 to the Department clerk the same day you submit it for filing.

A party objecting to a remote appearance must file and serve a timely opposition, form RA-015 (available at: https://www.courts.ca.gov/documents/ra010.pdf). You must email a courtesy copy of the RA-015 to the Department clerk the same day you submit it for filing.

If either party files a timely RA-10, both parties may appear remotely unless the court orders an inperson hearing.

Status conferences will continue to be remote

The court will continue to permit parties to appear remotely for status conferences without having made a prior request for remote appearance, unless any party objects.