

Superior Court of the State of California
County of Alpine

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Public Notice Regarding Court Hearings

(Effective 6/22/20)

Commencing June 22, 2020 criminal matters will no longer be heard remotely. The Court will be in regular session. Persons charged with criminal matters who have not retained private counsel are instructed to contact the Alpine County Public Defender, Eric Acevedo, at 530 542-2515 or 530 541-9619 (eacevedolaw@gmail.com) at least two working days prior to their scheduled hearing.

If you think you may have coronavirus, if you have recently traveled overseas or to a high-risk area, or if you have symptoms such as a cough, fever, or shortness of breath, do not come to the courthouse but rather, contact the court at 530 694-2113. The following measures will be implemented to ensure the safety of those attending court proceedings:

1. All persons coming onto the courthouse grounds will be required to wear a mask covering their nose and mouth and to maintain proper social distancing of at least 6 feet while waiting to be admitted to the court. Properly masked members of the same household need not remain 6 feet apart. This restriction applies from the time you walk onto the courthouse grounds, while you are outside the court building itself.
2. A "check-in" table will be set up outside the courthouse for all persons with matters on the court calendar. The tables will be equipped with a protective shield. The clerks at the tables will wear masks and gloves. No one shall address the clerks, bailiffs, or other court personnel unless they are wearing a protective mask.
3. Those persons wishing to confer with the Public Defender must be properly masked and will be directed to a consultation area that will be equipped with a protective shield.

4. Upon being admitted into the courthouse, you will be directed to designated seating within the courtroom. There will be a limit on the number of persons admitted into the courthouse at any given time. Those waiting outside, must continue to maintain the proper social distancing.
5. Once your matter is concluded, you will be given direction as to the order of exit from the courtroom.

Pursuant to the Emergency Orders issued by the Chief Justice of the California Supreme Court, all civil and traffic matters scheduled to be heard in the Alpine County Superior Court will continue to be heard remotely, that is, by telephonic conference, until further order of court. The Alpine County Clerk's Office can be contacted at 530 694-2113 to provide the information necessary for remote appearances.

Civil Matters: Civil matters will be heard as scheduled by telephone conference. Attorneys, and/or parties without counsel, are instructed to contact the Alpine County Clerk's Office at 530 694-2113 to obtain the information necessary to make remote appearances.

Traffic Matters: Traffic matters will be heard on the dates indicated on your citation. You retain the option of (1) paying the fine without appearance: (2) requesting a trial by declaration: or (3) appearing, via telephone conference, on the date indicated on your citation. If you wish to appear, you are instructed to contact the Alpine County Clerk's Office at 530 694-2113 to obtain the information necessary for your remote appearance via telephone conference. Traffic trials will be conducted remotely. Should you wish to submit exhibits for consideration at trial, you must ensure that the exhibits are received by the court no later than the day before your scheduled trial.

Be advised that you must act on one of the three options noted above or a finding of guilt will be entered when your matter is called pursuant to Vehicle Code 40509.