

**CIVIL AND MISCELLANEOUS RULES  
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**CHAPTER 2. CIVIL RULES**

**RULE 2.2 CIVIL LAW AND MOTION**

**2.2.2 Taking Law and Motion Hearing Off Calendar**

- A. No Change.
- B. No Change.
- C. No Change:

D. A law and motion matter may also be taken off calendar by stipulation of the parties at least five (5) court days before the scheduled hearing, with written notice to the Clerk and assigned judge. ~~Notice to the Clerk and assigned judge may be given by facsimile.~~

E. Any moving party who wishes to have a law and motion matter taken off calendar after the responsive papers have been filed shall do so by stipulation of the parties or shall obtain the permission of the assigned judge and give written notice to all parties. Proof of notification to all parties shall be made as described in ~~(B)~~ (C) above.

F. No Change. (Effective July ~~January~~ 1, 2012 ~~2025~~; Rule 2.2.2 renumbered effective January 1, 2006; adopted as Rule 4.2 effective January 1, 2003)

**2.2.4 Remote Appearances**

When remote appearances are allowed, attorneys or parties may utilize the designated audio or video platform as identified by the Court. Attorneys or parties may appear by “CourtCall,” by making prior arrangements with the private company that administers the program. CourtCall may be arranged by calling (888) 882-6878, or the telephone number of any other vendor as approved by the Court. Attorneys or parties granted a remote appearance for video will receive the appropriate information via the email address provided in the original request. All requests for remote appearances, ~~other than those listed below~~, must be submitted as set forth in the Superior Court of Fresno County, Local Rules.

~~B. Local Rule 1.1.19 does not apply to any party requesting to appear telephonically for a Case Management Conference. Parties may contact CourtCall to make arrangements for a telephonic appearance by calling (888) 882-6878, or the~~

~~telephone number of any other vendor as approved by the Court. (Effective September 15, 2022; January 1, 2025; Rule 2.2.5 (now 2.2.4) renumbered effective July 1, 2020; adopted as Rule 4.5 effective July 1, 2000)~~

## **RULE 2.5 MANDATORY SETTLEMENT CONFERENCE**

### **2.5.5 Attendance**

A. No Change.

B. No Change.

C. **Insurance Claims' Employee.** In any case which requires consent of an insurance carrier to settle, an employee of the insurance carrier, who is fully familiar with the case and who has full authority to settle, shall be personally present. A claims adjuster retained only for the purpose of attending the settlement conference will not be acceptable. ~~If the insurance carrier has no claims office located in California, and the court has been so notified pursuant to these rules, the personal attendance of an employee of the carrier is not required; provided, however, an employee of the insurance carrier with full authority to settle shall be immediately available by telephone until released by the court, regardless of the time zone.~~

D. No Change.

E. No Change.

F. No Change.

G. No Change. (Effective January 1, 2025; Rule 2.5.5 renumbered effective January 1, 2006; adopted as Rule 8.5 effective January 1, 2005)

## **CHAPTER 4. MISCELLANEOUS RULES**

### **RULE 4.1 RULES OF GENERAL APPLICATION**

#### **4.1.10 Sound Recordings to be Offered as Evidence at Trial**

A. No Change.

B. No Change.

C. No Change

D. Each transcript shall identify its preparer. In the event the sound recording is originally in a language other than English, the transcript will identify the preparer and

include a certification by the person translating the sound recording from its original language into English. A preparer includes any person who reviewed the transcript and confirmed its accuracy.

E. No Change. (Effective ~~July 1, 2018~~ January 1, 2025; Rule 4.1.2 (now 4.1.10) renumbered effective January 1, 2006; adopted as Rule 20.2 effective July 1, 2000)