

Effective March 23, 2020, and until further notice, the Superior Court of Los Angeles County will close the Clerk's Offices at all 38 courthouses in response to the COVID-19 public health threat. Most of the courthouses will remain open only for time-sensitive, essential court hearings and matters. Special provisions will be made for the filing and processing of Restraining Orders, ex parte proceedings in Family Law, Probate and Civil, and certain types of Emergency Writ Petitions. For complete details and updates regarding temporary emergency changes to the Los Angeles County Superior Court's operations, click here <https://www.lacourt.org/>

Options for Filing Court Documents

Drop Boxes

For individuals needing to file court documents, drop boxes will be set up at the entrances to all courthouses. If a conformed copy of the filed documents is needed, leave a self-addressed, stamped envelope with the filing. No cash will be accepted at the drop boxes, only credit cards and checks. Credit card information will be required along with the documents being filed. The documents will be deemed filed same-day if received by 4:30 p.m.

Electronic Filing (Efiling)

Electronic filing ("Efiling") is available for most Civil, Probate and Small Claims cases. For information, court rules, restrictions, fees, and mandatory requirements regarding Efiling at the Los Angeles County Superior Court click here, <http://www.lacourt.org/division/efiling/efiling2.aspx#civil>

Fax Filing

Fax filing may be available for Family Law and Small Claims cases pursuant to Los Angeles County Superior Court Local Rule 2.22. The Judicial Council has created the Form MC-005 Facsimile Transmission Cover Sheet <https://www.courts.ca.gov/documents/mc005.pdf> for use with fax filings. Court filing fees may be due at the time of fax filing. For more information, court rules, restrictions, page limits, fees, and mandatory requirements regarding fax filing and to review LASC Local Rule 2.22, click here <http://www.lacourt.org/courtrules/ui/index.aspx?ch=Chap2&tab=2>

To locate LASC fax filing phone numbers, first use the LASC website to locate the list of courthouses handling Family Law by clicking here <http://www.lacourt.org/courthouse/mode/division/familylaw>

Then select your courthouse and click on the "General Courthouse Directory" option for the listing of the fax filing phone number.

U.S. Mail

Unrepresented litigants who cannot electronically file or fax file their pleadings and attorneys who are required to submit paper copies of pleadings are strongly encouraged to send them via

U.S. Mail or other commercial delivery. Courthouse addresses are available at this link
<http://www.lacourt.org/courthouse>

Information about Court Filing Fees

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