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CLERK'S ALERT

CHANGES TO FAMILY LAW CALENDARS

King County Superior Court announces major changes to the Family Law motions calendar. Review the Court's Family Law website for more detailed information at: https://www.kingcounty.gov/courts/superior-court/family.aspx.

- 1. Family Law motions calendars are moving to the afternoons, effective June 11, 2020.
- 2. There will be separate calendars for attorney-involved cases (M, T, Th) and both side non-attorney cases (W & F).
- 3. There is a cap on the number of motions on the family law calendar. You must check the Clerk's website for hearing availability on the desired date. Parties will be notified via email if their requested date exceeds the limit.
- 4. A new calendar for motions without oral argument is being instituted. Both sides must agree to forego oral argument. This calendar will also be capped.
- 5. For family law calendar matters, working copies will no longer be required, but each party <u>must</u> file a Working Papers Submission List listing the filed documents relating to the motion. Submission of the list by the moving party will confirm the hearing; if the moving party's list is not filed by three court days prior, the hearing will be stricken. No other confirmation is required.
- 6. The Notice of Hearing form has been updated reflecting all changes in the family law calendar process. The new Notice form must be used.
- 7. A new process for submitting proposed orders will be announced soon.
- 8. All family law motions hearings are being conducted by phone or video until further notice unless an in-person appearance is authorized.

Calendar availability, the new Notice of Hearing Form, and form for the Working Papers Submission List can be found on the clerk's website at:

https://www.kingcounty.gov/courts/clerk/calendars.aspx. These changes are effective for both courthouses. Please check the Family Law Website to keep up to date on the implementation of this new process.

