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CLERK'S ALERT

Notice Regarding Enforcement of LFLR 6 in Family Law Motions Hearings

Beginning August 17, 2026, King County Superior Court will begin strict enforcement of LFLR 6(b)(1) and LFLR 6(b)(2) for all Family Law Motions Calendar hearings. These are rules that have been in place since 2023. Increased enforcement is necessary to improve efficiency, reduce backlog, and ensure family law calendars are managed consistently.

All reservations must comply with LFLR 6(b). Hearing reservations that are out of compliance will be stricken.

Expectations:

Motions, supporting documents, and the Notice of Court Date (or order setting hearing, if applicable) must be filed within three calendar days of selecting the hearing date online. Hearings with incomplete or untimely filings at the time of review will be cancelled.

Each motion requires its own reservation in the Family Law Motions Scheduling system. Same-day reservations may be listed on a single Notice of Court Date. Reservations for different days require separate Notices of Court Date.

Timing of Review:

Beginning August 17, the Court will begin routine review of all pending motions for compliance with LFLR 6(b). Hearings found to be noncompliant will be removed from the calendar and must be re-noted in accordance with the rule. Enforcement will be ongoing.

What You Need to Do:

- Review all upcoming reservations and filings for compliance with LFLR 6.
- Make corrections as soon as possible. You will **not** be notified in advance of the specific review date. If your materials are not filed at the time of review, your hearing will be stricken without further notice.
- Strike hearings you no longer need by emailing:

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Questions

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