

**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF MARIN**



**MARIN COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT
ANNOUNCES CHANGE IN COURTROOM START TIMES**

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Beginning on November 2nd, Marin County Superior Court will break with its longstanding tradition of starting all morning calendars at 9:00 a.m. Several judges will start calling their calendars at 8:30 or 9:30, while a few calendars will continue to be called at 9:00. This change is the latest innovation at the Court to address its budget shortfalls and to make getting into the courthouse a little easier for the public. By staggering start times, the Court will be better able to utilize courtroom support staff, including bailiffs, court reporters and court interpreters, who are needed in many judicial departments simultaneously. As staffing numbers decline in courtroom support, this change should lead to more efficient use of the Court's resources. In addition, the public and attorneys will find the lines a little shorter getting through court security if calendar start times are varied. For matters scheduled before the change was adopted in October, they will remain on calendar with the 9:00 start time. For matters scheduled after mid October, they will be calendared at the new times.

The new schedule of judicial department start times is as follows:

Criminal Departments

Judge Boren	Dept C	8:30
Judge Ritchie	Dept D	8:30
Judge Duryee	Dept K	9:00
Judge Haakenson	Dept F	9:00
Judge Sweet	Dept E	9:00
Judge Simmons	Dept G	9:30
Comm Heubach	Dept M	9:00
Comm Goldfine	Dept P	9:00

Civil Departments

Judge Adams	Dept J	8:30
Judge Dufficy	Dept B	8:30
Judge Sutro	Dept H	8:30

Family Law, Juvenile and Probate Departments

Judge D'Opal	Dept L	9:00
Comm Wood	Dept O	9:00
Comm Chernus	Dept A	9:00

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