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NAPA COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT POSTPONES JURY TRIALS THROUGH EARLY FEBRUARY, FURTHER ENCOURAGES REMOTE APPEARANCES BY COURT USERS

NAPA, CA – In response to the recent surge in COVID-19 cases within Napa County and surrounding areas, as well as the active regional stay-at-home order, the Napa County Superior Court continues to take steps to provide for the health and safety of court users and staff.

This includes the following:

- Postponing jury trials through at least February 5, 2021 and rescheduling them for a later date. The Court previously acted to suspend jury trials in early December to reduce foot traffic in courthouses.
- **Providing jury service credit** for those summoned between December 7, 2020 and February 5, 2021. Anyone due to report during this time will be considered as completing jury service. There is no need to call or report for jury duty.
- Encouraging the use of remote appearances when possible.
 Note that some calendars require remote appearances, others strongly encourage it. Be sure to confirm the nature and location of your hearing by accessing courtroom calendars here:
 http://www.napacourt.com/Remote.

These steps will reduce the number of people through court facilities, further enhancing the existing public safety protocols in place since the beginning of the pandemic.

For any questions or other inquiries, please contact the Court Executive Office at 707-299-1110.

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