



SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF MONTEREY

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June 20, 2013

Hon. Steven Jahr
Administrative Director of the Courts
Judicial Council of California - Administrative Office of the Courts
455 Golden Gate Avenue, 5th Floor
San Francisco, California 94102-3688

Dear Hon. Jahr:

Pursuant to the requirements of Government Code section 68106, Monterey County Superior Court (the Court) is providing sixty day notice of the Court's Executive Committee decision to temporarily close the King City Superior Court division located in Southern Monterey County, effective September 23, 2013. Criminal cases, felonies and misdemeanors will be consolidated and heard in the Salinas Courthouse. Traffic infractions and small claims matters will be consolidated and heard in the Marina Courthouse.

Over the past 5 years, the Court has absorbed a funding reduction of 17.5%. This represents approximately \$10 million. The reductions created a deficit which required the Court to implement the following cost reduction measures:

- **Downsizing** personnel by sixty positions since 2008 via a Voluntary Separation Incentive Program, hiring freezes and managerial layoffs;
- **Concessions** by employees during the last round of negotiations, including unpaid furloughs, increased employee cost-share of medical and retirement benefits; and
- **Cost cutting**, including reducing the costs of contracts and other services and supplies at every opportunity.

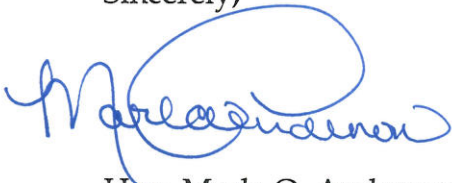
Additionally, the South County Courthouse project, originally designated as an 'immediate need' project to replace the existing King City Courthouse, was also placed on indefinite hold in 2012 by the Judicial Council. Without an immediate remedy to the

current facility's limitations combined with the need to maximize resources, the Court has decided to temporarily close the King City Courthouse. King City personnel will be reassigned to fill court-wide vacancies.

Recently, the State and Assembly Budget Subcommittees announced their support to reinvest in the Judicial Branch. While the proposed reinvestment will assist in reducing the deficit, it will not remedy the devastating impacts of previous State reductions.

A copy of the Court's notice to the public is attached to this letter and will be posted on the Court's public website at: www.monterey.courts.ca.gov. Pursuant to California Rules of Court 10.620, the Court has also released the public notice to the local media, bar association, district attorney, public defender, county counsel, and law enforcement agencies.

Sincerely,



Hon. Marla O. Anderson
Presiding Judge



Connie Mazzei
Court Executive Officer

Attachment



**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA,
COUNTY OF MONTEREY**

PUBLIC NOTICE *

**TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF KING CITY COURTHOUSE
EFFECTIVE MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2013**

Pending the restoration of funding by the State for the new South County Courthouse project, the King City Courthouse will temporarily close effective Monday, September 23, 2013. Without an immediate remedy to the current facility's limitations combined with the need to maximize resources, the Court has decided to temporarily close the King City Courthouse. King City personnel will be reassigned to fill court-wide vacancies. At this time, it is unknown when the funding for the South County Courthouse construction project will be restored.

Locally, the funding allocation has decreased by 17.5% from 2008, which represents approximately \$10 million over the past five years. Recently the State and Assembly Budget Subcommittees announced their support to reinvest in the Judicial Branch. While the proposed reinvestment will assist in reducing the deficit, it will not remedy the devastating impacts of previous State reductions.

Upon the temporary closure of the King City Courthouse, all misdemeanor and felony cases will be heard at the Salinas Courthouse and all traffic and small claims matters will be heard at the Marina Courthouse. Court location details and public service hours are detailed below and can be viewed online at http://www.monterey.courts.ca.gov/General_Information/Locations.aspx.

Courthouse	Court Departments	Hours – All Locations
Salinas 240 Church Street, Salinas, CA 93901	Criminal, Felony and Misdemeanor	Clerk's Office Hours Monday-Friday 8:00 am to 2:00 pm**
Monterey 1200 Aguajito Road, Monterey, CA 93940	Civil, Family Law, Probate, Self-Help Center, Unlawful Detainers	Courtroom Hours Monday-Friday 8:00 am to 5:00 pm**
Marina 3180 Del Monte Blvd., Marina, CA 93933	Child Support, Traffic, Small Claims	
King City 250 Franciscan Way, King City, CA 93930	CLOSED	

Comments may be submitted to mediainfo@monterey.courts.ca.gov by September 1, 2013

*Government Code section 68106 requires trial courts to provide notice to the public at least 60 days before closing any courtroom or closing or reducing the hours of clerks' offices by conspicuous posting within its facilities and on its public website.

**Except on all state recognized holidays. A complete list of holidays may be found on the Court's public website at: www.monterey.courts.ca.gov



**CORTE SUPERIOR DE CALIFORNIA
CONDADO DE MONTEREY**

AVISO PÚBLICO *

**CIERRE TEMPORAL DE LA CORTE DE KING CITY
A PARTIR DEL LUNES 23 DE SEPTIEMBRE DE 2013**

En espera de la restauración de la financiación por parte del Estado para el nuevo proyecto South Monterey County Courthouse, la Corte de King City se cerrará temporalmente a partir del lunes, 23 de Septiembre de 2013. Sin un remedio inmediato a las limitaciones del edificio actual combinado con la necesidad de maximizar los recursos, la Corte Superior del Condado de Monterey ha decidido cerrar temporalmente la Corte de King City. El personal de King City serán reasignados a puestos vacantes en otras ubicaciones de la corte. En este momento, no se sabe cuándo se restablecerá la financiación para el nuevo proyecto South Monterey County Courthouse.

A nivel local, el financiamiento de la Corte Superior del Condado de Monterey se ha reducido en un 17.5% desde el 2008, lo que representa aproximadamente \$10 millones en los últimos cinco años. Recientemente los Subcomités del Presupuesto del Senado y de la Asamblea anunciaron su apoyo para reinvertir en el Poder Judicial. Mientras la propuesta de reinversión ayudará a reducir el déficit de la corte, no va a remediar los impactos devastadores de las reducciones estatales de los años anteriores.

Tras el cierre temporal la Corte de King City, todos los casos de delitos graves y menores serán escuchados en la Corte de Salinas y todos los casos de tránsito y de demanda de menor cuantía serán escuchados en la Corte de Marina. Las ubicaciones de las cortes y sus horarios de servicio al público se detallan a continuación y se pueden ver en el sitio de web público http://www.monterey.courts.ca.gov/General_Information/Locations.aspx.

Corte	Departamentos de Corte	Horario de todas las Ubicaciones
Salinas 240 Church Street, Salinas, CA 93901	Penal, delitos graves y menores	Horario de Oficina de la Secretaria Lunes - Viernes 8:00 a.m. a 2:00 p.m. **
Monterey 1200 Aguajito Road, Monterey, CA 93940	Civil, Derecho de Familia, Validación de Testamento, Centro de Ayuda, Juicios de Desahucio	
Marina 3180 Del Monte Blvd., Marina, CA 93933	Manutención Para Hijos, Tránsito, Reclamos Menores	Horario de las Salas Lunes - Viernes 8:00 a.m. a 5:00 p.m. **
King City 250 Franciscan Way, King City, CA 93930	CERRADO	

Comentarios sobre este aviso público pueden ser enviados a mediainfo@monterey.courts.ca.gov hasta el 1 de Septiembre de 2013.

* Sección 68106 del Código Gubernamental requiere que la corte proporcione un aviso al público al menos 60 días antes de cerrar cualquier sala o el cierre o la reducción de las horas de la oficina de secretarios y se publique visiblemente y claramente dentro de sus instalaciones y en su sitio web público.

** Excepto en días reconocidos como festivos por el estado. Una lista completa de los días festivos se puede encontrar en el sitio web público de la corte en: www.monterey.courts.ca.gov