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## IMPROVED REMOTE HEARINGS PLATFORM COMING SOON TO FAMILY LAW, CIVIL AND TRAFFIC DIVISIONS

Superior Court and Los Angeles County Bar Association to Cohost Webinar on Oct. 31 to Guide Users Through New LACourtConnect 3.0 Features

The Superior Court of Los Angeles County announces a phased implementation schedule for the expansion of the LACourtConnect (LACC) 3.0 platform for attorneys and litigants wishing to appear remotely in Family Law, Civil and Traffic hearings. LACC 3.0, first launched in the Court's Probate Division on Sept. 6, offers attorneys and litigants greater convenience and flexibility in managing court appearances remotely with a simplified interface and enhanced functionality.

#### **Phased Implementation Schedule**

The Court will implement LACC 3.0 in accordance with the phased implementation schedule below:

Division:	Launch Date:
Family Law	Nov. 1
Civil (including Small Claims and Unlawful Detainers)	Nov. 15
Traffic	Nov. 22

#### No Advanced Registration Required

LACC 3.0 eliminates the existing pre-registration requirement, allowing participants to check-in on the same day a few minutes prior to the scheduled hearing. Therefore, no advanced registration will be required for:

- Family Law hearings scheduled on or after Nov. 1.
- Civil (including Small Claims and Unlawful Detainer) hearings scheduled on or after Nov. 15.
- Traffic hearings scheduled on or after Nov. 22.

Litigants visiting LACC's existing registration page will be automatically redirected to the LACC 3.0 platform for same-day check-in.

#### **LACC 3.0 Features**

LACC 3.0 introduces features designed to improve the remote hearing experience. These features include:

- Enhanced functionality and simplified interface: The updated platform is designed for ease of use, providing a streamlined experience for attorneys and litigants alike.
- Same-day check-in: Participants can now check-in just a few minutes prior to their scheduled hearing, eliminating the need for pre-registration.

- **No registration needed for remote appearances:** The improved system allows users to join remote hearings without needing to register or schedule in advance.
- Standard Microsoft Teams features: Industry-leading stability and ease of use, ensuring a reliable and efficient platform for remote hearings.
- My Checked-in Hearings feature: This feature allows users to check-in to multiple hearings at once and view all checked-in hearings in one place.

The Court has already successfully implemented LACC 3.0 in all Probate departments. The initial implementation has allowed the Court to test and refine the platform in court environments, ensuring a smooth and effective expansion to other courtrooms. Feedback from litigants and attorneys in these Probate departments has been universally positive, highlighting LACC 3.0's improved usability and stability.

# <u>LACC 3.0 Webinar Hosted by Executive Officer/Clerk of Court David W. Slayton and the Los Angeles</u> <u>County Bar Association:</u>

Family Law, Civil and Traffic attorneys interested in learning more about LACC 3.0 are encouraged to join Executive Officer/Clerk of Court David W. Slayton on Oct. 31 from 12 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. for a special webinar co-hosted by the Los Angeles County Bar Association. The webinar will guide users through LACC 3.0's key features and provide practical tips for navigating the platform. Details and registration below:

WHEN: 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 31

WHERE: Virtual Webinar: JOIN HERE

#### **Additional Resources:**

The following resources are available to assist court users in navigating LACC 3.0.

- Updated reference guide.
- Video tutorial.
- Technical Specifications Document.

The platform promotes convenience and choice, offering audio and video remote appearance options, which eliminate the need for driving, parking, and childcare costs, while saving commute time to courthouses. LACC 3.0 is compatible with Windows PC, macOS, iOS, iPadOS, and Android devices that support Microsoft Teams.