



Juvenile Bench Essential Hearings

Juvenile Bench Presiding Judge: Hon. Peter Hochuli, Division 13

Only essential hearings will be conducted in person, as follows:

- All in-custody delinquency hearings
- Competency hearings
- Juvenile mental health hearings
- Out of home placement hearings
- Dependency matters subject to a statutory timeline
- Other hearings required by law to be heard at juvenile subject to a statutory timeline

When setting contested matters the court may consider requests to establish on the record who may or may not appear in person for the contested matter. The court may order that the above hearings be conducted telephonically. Any party to a dependency proceeding as defined by Rule 37 (A), Rules of Procedure for the Juvenile Court, may file a motion seeking an in-person hearing in lieu of a telephonic/virtual hearing. Such motion must be filed no less than 24 hours before the hearing and must be emailed directly to the assigned Division.

Hearings in the following non-essential matters may be conducted, at the discretion of the Court, and only via telephone, subject to the limitations set forth under "Other Orders" in Superior Court Administrative Order 2020-20.

- Out of custody delinquency hearings
- Adoptions

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