

Ventura County Judicial Council of California Liaison Report

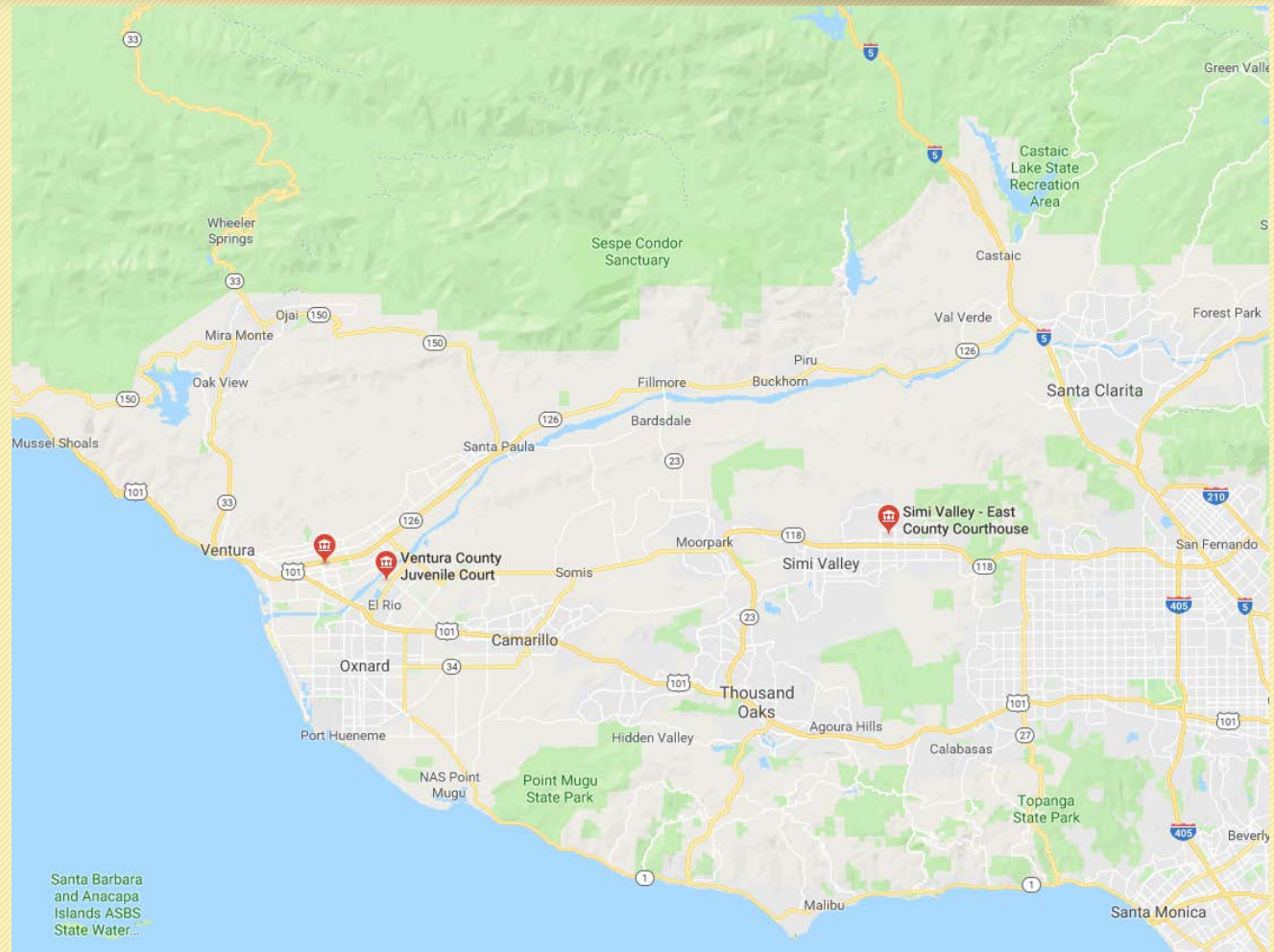
May 17, 2019

Judge Paul Bacigalupo
Judge Dalila Corral Lyons

Three Courthouses

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- **Ventura**
 - Located in the west
- **Simi Valley**
 - Located in the east
- **Oxnard**
 - Juvenile Justice Center
- **Population**
 - 850,000
- **Bench officers**
 - 29 Judges
 - 4 Commissioners



Court Leadership

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- Court Executive Officer Michael D. Plant and Presiding Judge Kent M. Kellegrew
- Ventura Superior Court is "efficient and productive."

State Rankings

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- Ventura Superior Court's rank among the 58 Superior Courts based on the FY 2015-16 Court Statistics report:
 - 33 Judicial Officers, tied for 14th (with San Mateo)
 - 4,578 filings per judge, ranked 4th
 - 3,786 dispositions per judge, ranked 5th
 - 266 jury trials, ranked 9th
 - 10,819 court trials, misdemeanors, and infractions, ranked 9th



Judicial Officers

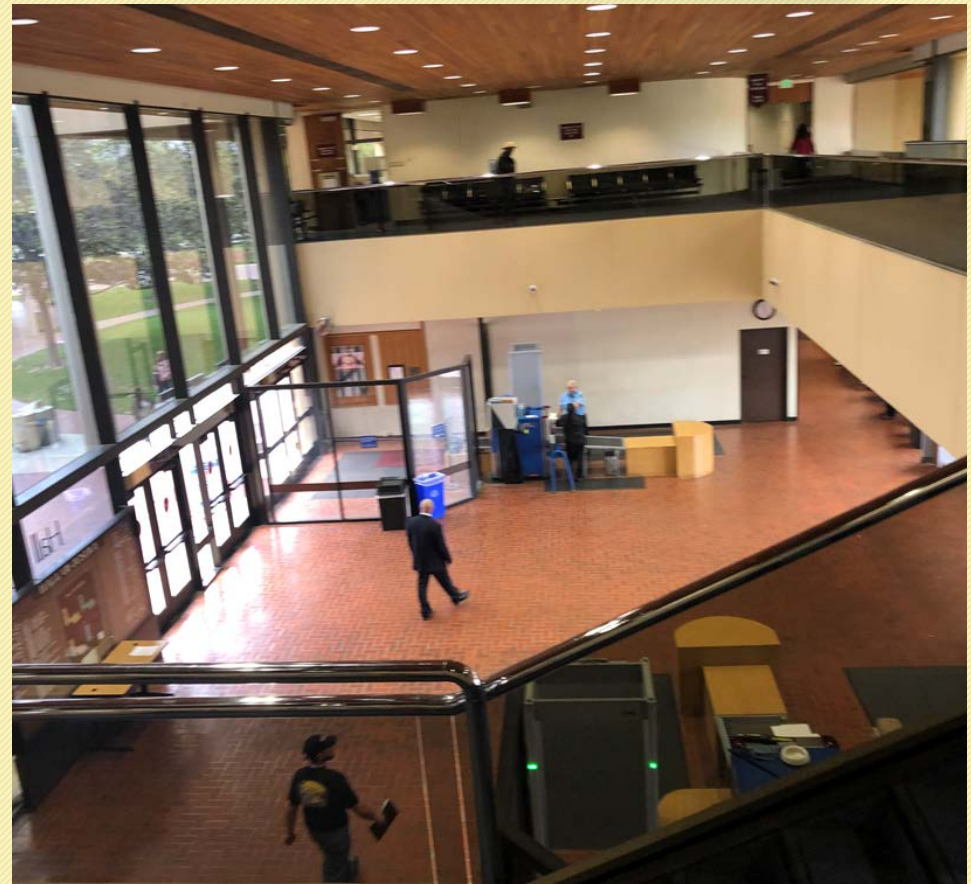
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- 3.3 additional judges according to the Judicial Needs Study (33 to 36)
- Down from the 10.7 due to the drop in filings over the past 3 years
- As many as 6 judges eligible to retire by 2020

Staff

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- Court Operations 327
- Collections 77
- Total FTE: 404



Collection Operations

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- Ventura Superior Court contracts with Amador, Plumas, Santa Clara and Tulare counties to provide collection assistance.
- \$35 million collected by the Collections Unit.
- 160,000 in-bound telephone calls handled by the collections team.
- The automated call system left 6 million voicemail messages.

Case Management & Technology

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- Ventura Superior Court is replacing its V3 case management system with eCourt deployment. The new case management system will allow for e-filing, and electronic document management and access.
- Small Claims is completed. Civil limited and unlimited, Probate and Mental Health are in development with an anticipated go-live in the first half of 2020.
- Family Law and Juvenile Dependency deployments are anticipated later in 2020.



Innovative Grant Funding Successes

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Legal Self Help

- Webinars for Family Law and Civil (Spanish and English).
- Self represented litigants register online and interact with staff attorneys by video conference through their computers, tablets or mobile devices.
- Staff attorneys provide legal information, review forms and answer questions the same way as for walk-in services.
- With funding in the 2018 Budget Act earmarked for the expansion of Self Help services, 3 additional staff were hired.

Legal Self-Help



Ventura Superior Court Legal Self-Help Webinars

Welcome to our Legal Self-Help Webinar Registration. Please explore the webinars being offered and register for those you are interested in. A computer with, or without a webcam, tablet, or smartphone is required if you elect to participate.



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Ability to Pay Pilot Project

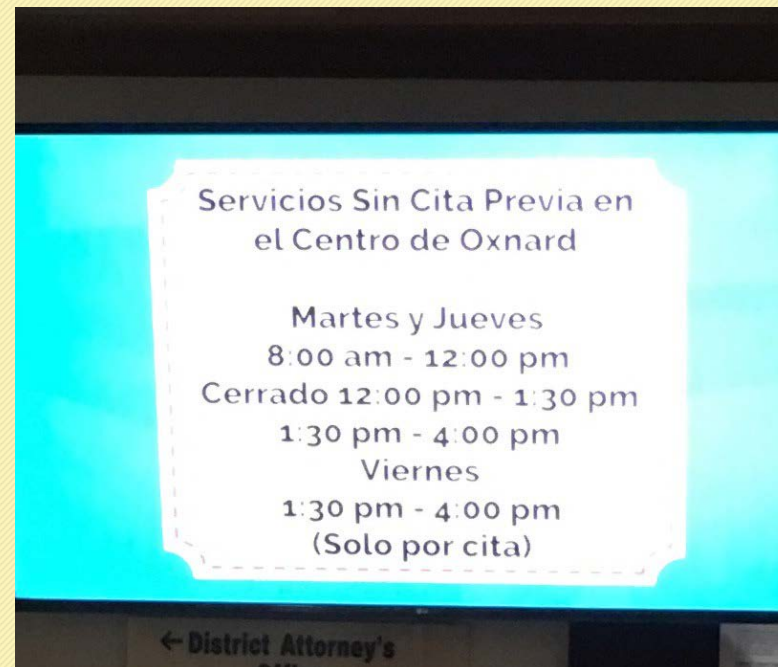
Ventura County Court is one of five counties participating in the Ability to Pay Pilot Project to test the use of online adjudication technology in traffic cases.

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Video Remote Interpretation

One of 3 counties participating in the Video Remote Interpreting (VRI) Pilot Project to test the efficacy of this technology.



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Court Reporters

Two staff court reporters were hired with funding earmarked in the 2018 Budget Act for Court Reporter expansion into Family law.



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Juvenile Justice

- Funded through an innovation grant, Juvenile Justice Family Engagement Workshops are aimed at educating parents and legal guardians who have youths entering the juvenile justice system for the first time.
- The project has produced a juvenile justice orientation video in English and Spanish posted on the Court's
 - YouTube channel
 - Handbook
 - Resource guide



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Juvenile Court

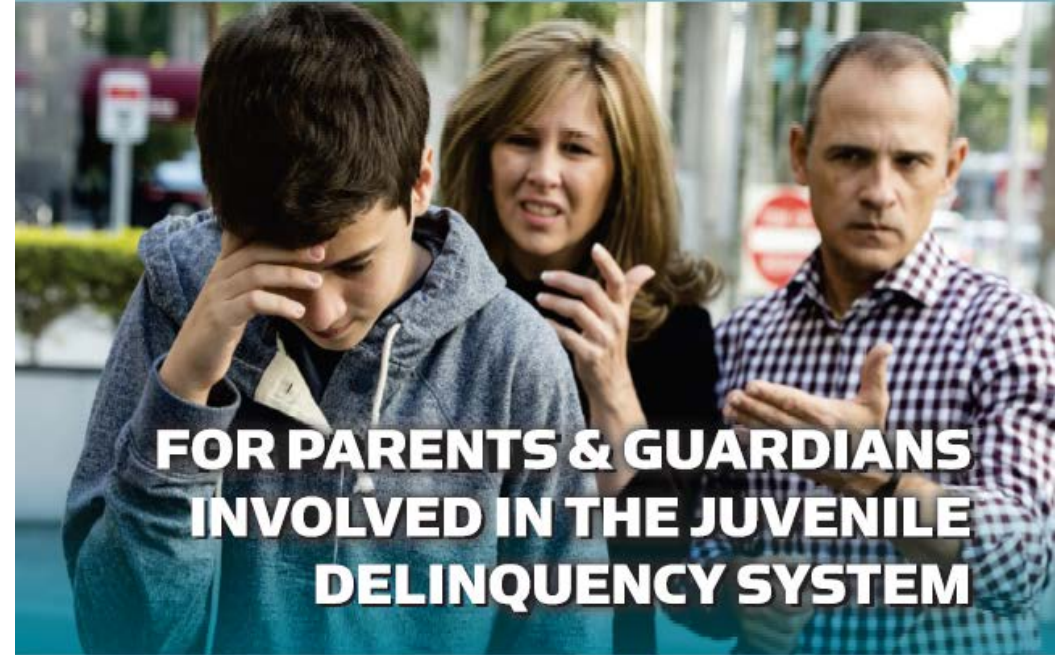


Delinquency Court

Information for Parents
and Guardians When Your
Child Needs to Appear in
Juvenile Court



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INVOLVED IN THE JUVENILE
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Interpreting Services

Interpreting Services completed the civil expansion component of the Language Access Plan. Every party or witness of every courtroom in any of the 3 court locations is provided an interpreter at no cost to limited English proficient individuals.



Hall of Justice

