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## MOTION TO CONTINUE MANDATORY SETTLEMENT CONFERENCE AND TRIAL

# How to Extend Date of Trial

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## BACKGROUND

[Rule 3.1332\(c\)](#) of the California Rules of Court allows the court to grant a continuance before or during trial on an affirmative showing of good cause. Each request for continuance must be considered on its own merits.

Circumstances that may indicate good cause for a continuance include the unavailability of an essential witness ([Rule 3.1332 \(c\)\(1\)](#)); the unavailability of a party because of death, illness, or other excusable circumstances ([Rule 3.1332 \(c\)\(2\)](#)); or a significant, unanticipated change in the status of the case as a result of which the case is not ready for trial ([Rule 3.1332 \(c\)\(7\)](#)). For a more complete list of justifications, please be sure to read [Rule 3.1332 \(c\)](#) in its entirety.

Motions to continue a trial are not favored by the courts because such continuances greatly interfere with the court's ability to efficiently schedule its courtrooms and substantially contribute to a court's backlog of trial dates. For this reason, it is usually best to request a continuance as early as possible after you become aware that it will be required. You should never depend on a continuance being granted, as a very real possibility exists that it may be denied, especially if there have already been several continuances in the case.

A request for a continuance is made through a motion. A "motion" is a request made in a case asking the court to issue an order of some sort. Most motions are in writing. With few exceptions (such as in family law cases), there is no Judicial Council form for making a motion. Instead, the motion must be typed on 28-line pleading paper. A written motion consists of five parts:

- Notice of Motion;
- Motion;
- Points and Authorities;
- Declaration; and
- [Proposed] Order.

**Disclaimer:** This Guide is intended as general information only. Your case may have factors requiring different procedures or forms. The information and instructions are provided for use in the Sacramento County Superior Court. Please keep in mind that each court may have different requirements. If you need further assistance consult a lawyer.

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The Notice of Motion lets the opposing party know when and where the motion is scheduled to be heard, while the Motion lets the court and the opposing party know what is being requested. The Points and Authorities explain to the court and the opposing party the legal basis of the motion, while the Declaration provides evidence, sworn under penalty of perjury, supporting the motion. Documents can be attached to a declaration as exhibits. A [Proposed] Order is prepared for the judge to sign.

The first two parts, the Notice of Motion and Motion, are typically combined together in the same document, while the Points and Authorities and Declaration are often separate documents. In many instances, however, they may be combined together into the same document, as in the case of the sample included in this Guide. The Order must always remain a separate document. [California Rules of Court, Rule 3.1112](#).

## STEP-BY-STEP INSTRUCTIONS

### Step 1: Prepare the Motion

At the end of this guide is a sample motion for continuance. It was completed by a hypothetical “Doug Defendant,” who is asking to continue his trial so he has the opportunity to find a new attorney. You may download a customizable template of the motion from the link listed below. You will need to modify the sample text in the gray boxes to fit the specific facts of your case. Although this guide is printed double-sided to save paper, you must print your motion single-sided; the court will not accept double-sided documents.

In Sacramento, many departments use a tentative ruling system. If your motion is heard in a department using this system, the Notice of Motion and Motion must include the paragraph from Local Rule 1.06 (D) (<http://www.saccourt.ca.gov/local-rules/docs/chapter-01.pdf>) informing the parties of the tentative ruling system. That language is included in the sample at the end of this Guide.

#### ***Step 1.1: Determining the department and the time of the motion***

In Sacramento, the Presiding Judge (Department 47) hears motions to continue or advance trial in both limited and unlimited civil cases.

**Unlimited:** Motions to continue unlimited civil cases will be heard on Tuesday through Friday at 9:30 a.m. except the second Thursday of each month, which has no hearings. A tentative ruling will be issued, so you must include the Rule 1.06(D) language.

**Limited:** Motions to continue a limited civil case are heard on the Limited Civil Pretrial Calendar in Department 47 on Mondays only at 10:00 a.m. Tentative Rulings are not used for cases on the Limited Civil Pretrial Calendar, so you will not include the Rule 1.06(D) language.

These assignments have changed recently, so the [information about motions on the court’s website](#) should be consulted to make sure the information is correct.

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**Step 1.2: Setting the date of the motion**

In Sacramento, the party requesting the continuance is responsible for setting the date for hearing the motion. There are two very important deadlines you must consider when setting the date of a motion: the **filing** deadline and the **service** deadline.

**Filing Deadline:** The motion must be filed with the court at least *sixteen court (business) days* prior to the motion date ([California Code of Civil Procedure \(CCP\) § 1005](#)). Court days are Monday through Friday, excluding court holidays. To determine whether a particular filing date will meet this deadline, start with your desired hearing date and count backward ([CCP § 12c](#)) sixteen court days. Day one is the court day prior to the hearing. The sixteenth court day prior to the hearing is the last possible date that the motion can be filed with the court.

**When 16 days is too long**  
If you don't have time to serve and file a motion prior to a trial date, you can file an *ex parte* application to reduce the length of notice required. See our guide on [Requesting an Ex Parte Order](#).

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For example, suppose you wanted to have your motion heard on June 18, 2012. You would start counting backward using June 15, 2012 as day one. Do not count weekends or court holidays (there is only one court holiday in this example, which is Memorial Day, May 28). The sixteenth court day before the hearing would be May 24, 2012; that's the latest that the motion can be filed in court.

**Service Deadline:** Prior to filing the motion with the court, all other attorneys or self-represented parties in a case must be served with a copy of the motion. This means that someone over the age of 18 who is not a party in the case must either personally deliver a copy of the motion and related documents to the attorney or self-represented party or mail a copy of the motion and related documents to the party by first class mail.

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*Personal service: 16 court days.* If the motion is personally served, the service must be at least sixteen court days prior to the date of the motion, the same as the minimum filing deadline.

*Service by mail: 16 court days + 5 calendar days.* If the motion is served by mail, additional time is added to the calculation, depending on where the mail originates and goes ([CCP § 1005](#)). For example, if the documents are mailed from California to a California address, *five calendar days* are added before the sixteen court days. Calendar days include weekends and holidays, but if the final day lands on a weekend or holiday, it is rolled back to the prior court day. So, if June 18, 2012 was the hearing date, the sixteenth court day before would be May 24. Counting back five more calendar days results in Saturday, May 19. Because the fifth day fell on Saturday, the deadline for service rolls back to Friday, May 18, 2012, the last court day before the deadline.

When choosing the date of your motion, be sure that you have left enough time for the motion to be both served and filed in a timely fashion. Also remember that Department 47 hears motions for continuance in limited and unlimited cases on different days and times, so be sure that the date and time you pick is one for which your type of case is heard.

### Step 2: Make Copies

Make four (4) copies of your Motion and [Proposed] Order. One of these copies is to be served on the other side's attorney (or the other side, if the other side does not have an attorney); the original and the other three copies are to be filed with the court. Staple each of the copies, but leave the original unstapled for ease of scanning.

### Step 3: Have the Motion Served

The person who is serving your Motion and [Proposed] Order for you must complete a proof of service form, typically, either a Proof of Personal Service (POS-020) or a Proof of Service by First Class Mail (POS-030). For more information on these Proofs of Service, see the guides on our website at [www.saclaw.org/personal-service](http://www.saclaw.org/personal-service) and [www.saclaw.org/mail-service](http://www.saclaw.org/mail-service), respectively.

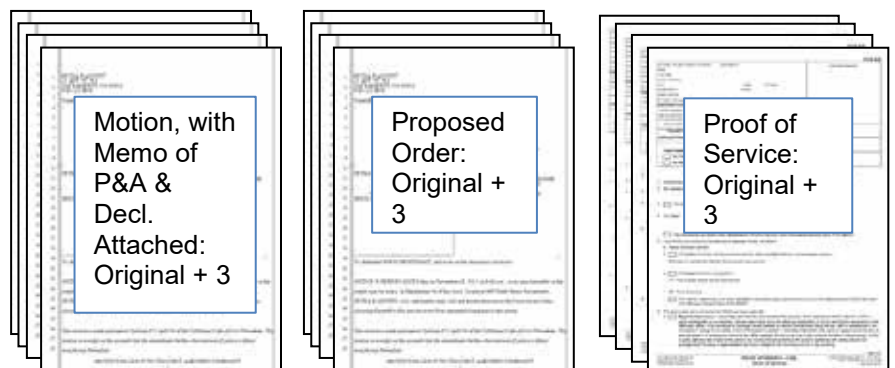
### Step 4: Copy the Signed Proof of Service

Make three (3) copies of the signed Proof of Service. It is not necessary to copy the instruction page.

### Step 5: Assemble Your Documents for Filing

Assemble your packet for filing as follows:

- Motion with all pages, plus three (3) copies. The original should be unstapled in Sacramento, while each copy is stapled.



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- Completed Proof of Service form. The original plus three (3) copies.
- [Proposed] Order plus three (3) copies. The original should be unstapled in Sacramento, while each copy is stapled.

### Step 6: Filing/Fees

File your Motion and Proof of Service in Room 102 on the first floor of the Courthouse at 720 Ninth Street. (Do not use the drop box.) At this time there is a \$60 filing fee, unless your fees were waived. Current fees are available on the Sacramento County Superior Court's website at [www.saccourt.ca.gov/fees/docs/fee-schedule.pdf](http://www.saccourt.ca.gov/fees/docs/fee-schedule.pdf). If you newly qualify for a fee waiver, you may file a request with the court. For more information, see the Step-by-Step guide on Fee Waivers on our website at [www.saclaw.org/fee-waiver-guide](http://www.saclaw.org/fee-waiver-guide). Provide the court with a self-addressed stamped envelope with sufficient postage to facilitate the return of your documents to you.

### Step 7: Opposition and Reply

If opposing counsel or self-represented party opposes your request for a continuance, he or she may serve and file an opposition at least nine court days prior to your motion date. Be sure to check your mail, and read any documents you receive carefully.

If the opposing attorney or party opposes your motion, you may serve and file a reply to the opposition (also written on pleading paper) at least five court days prior to the motion. This reply should carefully address any points made by the opposition, especially if that point was not originally addressed in your motion. [CCP § 1005](#).

### Step 8: Tentative Ruling/Hearing

**Limited cases: there is no tentative ruling.** You should go to the court hearing and be prepared to argue your case.

**Unlimited cases: check the tentative ruling.** Pursuant to Local Rule 1.06, the court will make a tentative ruling on the merits of your matter by 2:00 p.m. the court day before the hearing. You may read the tentative ruling online, or may call 916-874-8142 to hear it. For information, see the Sacramento County Superior Court's website at [www.saccourt.ca.gov/civil/motions-hearings-tentative.aspx](http://www.saccourt.ca.gov/civil/motions-hearings-tentative.aspx).

Closely review the tentative ruling. Since you are asking the court for a continuance, you are looking for your motion to be "GRANTED." If the court does not grant your request, your motion will be "DENIED." Sometimes the judge will order you to appear if he or she needs additional information.

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If you are happy with the tentative ruling, you do not have to go to court unless ordered to appear in the tentative ruling or unless the other side calls you and the court between 2:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. the court day before the hearing. If either of those that happens, you should go to the court hearing and be prepared to argue your case.

If you are not happy with the tentative ruling, and wish to present arguments in front of the judge, you must call all opposing counsel and/or self-represented parties, and the clerk for Department 47 at (916) 874-5487, no later than 4:00 p.m. the court day before your motion is scheduled, and state that you are requesting oral argument on the motion.

If neither you nor the opposing counsel or self-represented party requests oral argument, the court will simply make the tentative ruling the official order of the court.

## FOR MORE INFORMATION

### At the Law Library:

**California Forms of Pleading and Practice** [KFC 1010 .A65 C3](#) (Ready Ref)

Vol. 13, Chap. 136, "Continuances."

**Electronic Access:** On the Law Library's computers, using the *Matthew Bender CD* or *LexisAdvance*.

**California Law and Motion Model Forms** [KFC 1012 .A65 P37](#)

Chap. 33, "Sample Motion to Continue Trial."

**Electronic Access:** On the Law Library Computers, using *WestlawNext*.

**California Points and Authorities** [KFC 1010 .B4](#) (Ready Ref)

Vol. 4, Chap. 48, "Continuance of Proceedings."

**Electronic Access:** On the Law Library's computers, using the *Matthew Bender CD* or *LexisAdvance*.

**California Practice Guide: Civil Procedure Before Trial** [KFC 995. W45](#)

Chap. 9(l)-B, "Preparing and Filing Motions."

**Electronic Access:** On the Law Library Computers, using *WestlawNext*.

**California Pretrial Practice and Forms** [KFC 1020 .A65 K86](#)

Chap. 14, "Motion Practice," particularly sec. IX, "Motions to Continue Trial Date."

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## ATTACHMENTS AND INSTRUCTIONS

There is no Judicial Council form for this procedure. Instead, the relevant documents must be typed on 28-line pleading paper.

The documents are slightly different for unlimited and limited cases. Download the customizable template that applies to your case from one of these links:

- Unlimited: *Notice of Motion and Motion to Continue Mandatory Settlement Conference and Trial*  
[www.saclaw.org/motion-continue-unlimited-template.rtf](http://www.saclaw.org/motion-continue-unlimited-template.rtf)

OR

- Limited: *Notice of Motion and Motion to Continue Trial*  
[www.saclaw.org/motion-continue-limited-template.rtf](http://www.saclaw.org/motion-continue-limited-template.rtf)

In addition, you will need one of the following two Judicial Council forms, depending on whether you have the motion served personally or by mail:

*Proof of Service by Mail* (POS-030)  
<http://www.courts.ca.gov/documents/pos030.pdf>

OR

*Proof of Personal Service-Civil* (POS-020)  
<http://www.courts.ca.gov/documents/pos020.pdf>

Download the appropriate blank forms from these links.

Sample filled-in forms with instructions follow.

**IMPORTANT:** RED boxes and arrows are instructions, and are not part of your completed document. Text that appears in BLUE is text you will change to fit your case.

**NOTE:** Portions underlined in red only apply in unlimited cases and will not appear in the limited template.

DOUG DEFENDANT  
11 ANY ST. #22  
SACRAMENTO, CA 95814  
916-123-9876

Print or type your name, address and phone number as shown on the left. Below that, indicate whether you are a plaintiff or defendant, followed by the words *In Pro Per*, which simply indicates that you are representing yourself.

Defendant, In Pro Per

Identify the plaintiff and defendant.

COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO

PAUL SAMPLE,

Plaintiff,

vs.

DOUG DEFENDANT,

Defendant

The name of the person giving the declaration.

Your case number

Case No.: 34-2015-00012345

NOTICE OF MOTION AND MOTION TO CONTINUE MANDATORY SETTLEMENT CONFERENCE AND TRIAL; POINTS AND AUTHORITIES; DECLARATION OF DOUG DEFENDANT

Set your date, time and department for the motion. Be sure to read the detailed instructions (Step 1.2) on choosing a date.

Date: April 6, 2016

Time: 9:30 a.m.

Dept: 47

Judge: Hon. Kevin R. Culhane

This motion is to the other party. Enter their party designation and name, and "his" "her" or "its" as appropriate.

Date Action Filed: August 1, 2015

Mandatory Settlement: April 20, 2016

Trial Date: May 3, 2016

To plaintiff, PAUL SAMPLE, and to his attorney(s) of record:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on April 6, 2016, at 9:30 a.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, in Department 47 of this court, located at 720 Ninth Street, Sacramento, defendant, DOUG DEFENDANT, will, and hereby does, move for an order continuing the trial date heretofore set for May 3, 2016 and mandatory settlement conference heretofore set for April 20, 2016, reopening discovery until 30 days prior to the new trial date, and referring this matter back to the case management program for trial setting. The motion will be made on the grounds that the defendant's attorney has left the case, and substantial discovery remains to be completed, and the defendant is

If you are asking that discovery stay open until 30 days before the new trial date, be sure to include the language requesting it, otherwise remove it.



Describe the grounds for your motion, including the specific circumstances of your case that are causing you to ask for a continuance. Keep in mind that the grounds for the motion should be one of the reasons specified in California Rules of Court, Rule 3.1332 (c).

unable to adequately prepare this case for trial either through new counsel or as a self-represented litigant in the time remaining.

Use the name of the person(s) making the declaration(s) supporting the motion.

The motion will be based on this notice of motion, on the declaration(s) of Doug Defendant, and the supporting memorandum served and filed herewith, on the records and file herein, and on such evidence as may be presented at the hearing of the motion.

Pursuant to Local Rule 1.06 (A) the court will make a tentative ruling on the merits of this matter by 2:00 p.m., the court day before the hearing. The complete text of the tentative rulings for the department may be downloaded off the court's website. If the party does not have online access, they may call the dedicated phone number for the department as referenced in the local telephone directory between the hours of 2:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. on the court day before the hearing and receive the tentative ruling. If you do not call the court and the opposing party by 4:00 p.m. the court day before the hearing, no hearing will be held.

Dated: March 8, 2016

By:

DOUG DEFENDANT  
Defendant, In Pro Per

Change this to your name and party designation in the case.

This paragraph is required in Sacramento for UNLIMITED cases heard in Dept. 47. It is not applicable to limited cases.

Other courts have different requirements; check your local rules.

A Memorandum of Points and Authorities presents the legal argument that explains to the court why it can, and should, grant your motion. Make sure it starts on a new page. It may also be a separate document, but must then have a full caption including all of the information shown on lines 1 to 19 of the first page of this sample motion.

1 **Memorandum of Points and Authorities in Support of Motion to Continue**

2 I. BACKGROUND

3 It is often useful to have a background section that provides a brief explanation of the case and a summary of the motion.

This lawsuit involves a \$15,000 loan that was loaned by the plaintiff to a defendant. The plaintiff loaned the defendant \$15,000 in three installments of \$5,000 each. The defendant was initially represented by counsel; however counsel substituted out on February 12, 2016.

Defendant, who has never represented himself in any other case, has been seeking replacement counsel diligently during this last month, and has yet to find an attorney who is both willing to handle his case and able to prepare the case for trial by the current trial date set. Additionally, discovery remains to be completed in this lawsuit. This is the first request for continuance made by the defendant.

Describe the basis for your motion in this heading.

12 II. LEGAL ARGUMENT

13 GOOD CAUSE EXISTS FOR CONTINUANCE IN THAT DEFENDANT'S COUNSEL HAS LEFT THE CASE, AND DEFENDANT IS SEEKING NEW COUNSEL, AND SUCH NEW COUNSEL WILL BE UNABLE TO ADEQUATELY PROSECUTE THIS MATTER AT TRIAL WITHOUT A CONTINUANCE.

19 **A. Good Cause.** A court may grant a continuance before or during trial on an affirmative showing of good cause and a showing that the party seeking the continuance is diligent in its efforts to prepare for trial. Cal. Rules of Ct., Rule 3.1332(c).

The following points are relatively general. You may insert additional explanation after each point, as demonstrated after points B and C. There may be additional or different arguments based on the specifics of your case, depending on your specific circumstances.

23 **B. Significant, Unanticipated Change in Case Status Constitutes Good Cause for Continuance.** The circumstances that may indicate good cause for a continuance include a significant, unanticipated change in the status of the case as a result of which the case is not ready for trial ( Cal. Rules of Ct., Rule 3.1332(c)(7)). Counsel originally represented the defendant. Unfortunately, as the case progressed, the defendant and his attorney developed differences that did

Explain how this legal argument applies to the specifics of your case.

allow the attorney to adequately represent the defendant's interests in court. Defendant's attorney substituted out of this case on February 12, 2016, after requesting that the defendant sign a substitution of attorney form.

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**C. Continuance Sought as Soon as Reasonably Practical.** A party seeking a continuance of the date set for trial, whether contested or uncontested or stipulated to by the parties, must make the motion or application as soon as reasonably practical once the necessity for the continuance is discovered (Cal. Rules of Ct., Rule 3.1332(b)).

Explain how this legal argument applies to the specifics of your case.

The defendant has been diligently seeking replacement counsel during the last month; however, the process has been hampered by a combination of factors. The attorneys the defendant has been able to reach are either too busy, on vacation, do not handle this type of case, or are priced outside of the defendant's ability to pay. Because of these reasons, he has been unable to find a replacement attorney. Additionally, at this point, were the defendant to find an attorney willing to take his case, he has been informed that it is extremely unlikely that any attorney would be able to have this case prepared for trial by the current mandatory settlement conference and trial dates. Furthermore, the defendant, upon reviewing the records sent to him by his former attorney, believes additional discovery is necessary to properly present this case for trial.

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**D. Opportunity for Full Presentation.** A continuance should be granted if failure to allow the continuance would probably or possibly prejudice the party seeking the continuance by depriving that party of the opportunity to fully and fairly present his/her/its case (Cadle Co. v. WorldWide Hospitality Furniture (2006) 144 Cal. App. 4th 504, 513-515, 50 Cal. Rptr. 3d 480; In re Dolly A. (1986) 177 Cal. App. 3d 195, 199, 201, 222 Cal. Rptr. 741; Cohen v. Herbert (1960) 186 Cal. App. 2d 488, 494, 8 Cal. Rptr. 922).

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Dated: March 8, 2016

By

DOUG DEFENDANT  
Defendant, In Pro Per

Use the date you are signing the motion.

Change this to your name and party designation in the case.

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Start the declaration on its own page.

DECLARATION OF DOUG DEFENDANT

I, DOUG DEFENDANT, am the Defendant in this matter, and I declare the following in

Name and party designation of person making this declaration.

for continuance:

On May 12, 2016, I was represented by counsel in this case. My attorney insisted that I

release him from the case, and demanded that I sign a substitution of attorney form. That form is

attached as Exhibit "A."

I have never been a plaintiff or defendant in a lawsuit before, and am in the process of finding

replacement counsel. If I am unable to find a replacement attorney, I will need to

represent myself.

During the last month, I have contacted numerous attorneys' offices, but have

not found no attorney that is both willing and able to handle my lawsuit. Additionally,

because my former attorney's file for this case, there appears to be a substantial amount of

information necessary to bring this case to trial, as the financial records of the plaintiff(s) are expected to be

critical in proving the money loaned by the plaintiff, and the intent of the parties.

It will be at least several more months until this matter may be prepared for trial, and the

timing will depend on how quickly I am able to find a replacement attorney, or else prepare to

represent myself. For this reason, I ask that the existing trial date and case settlement conference be

vacated, and that the trial date be set for a date to be determined by the court.

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The declaration must be declared under penalty of perjury. If it is not, the court cannot consider it as evidence in your motion.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing

is true and correct.

Dated: March 8, 2016

By: \_\_\_\_\_

DOUG DEFENDANT  
Defendant, In Pro Per

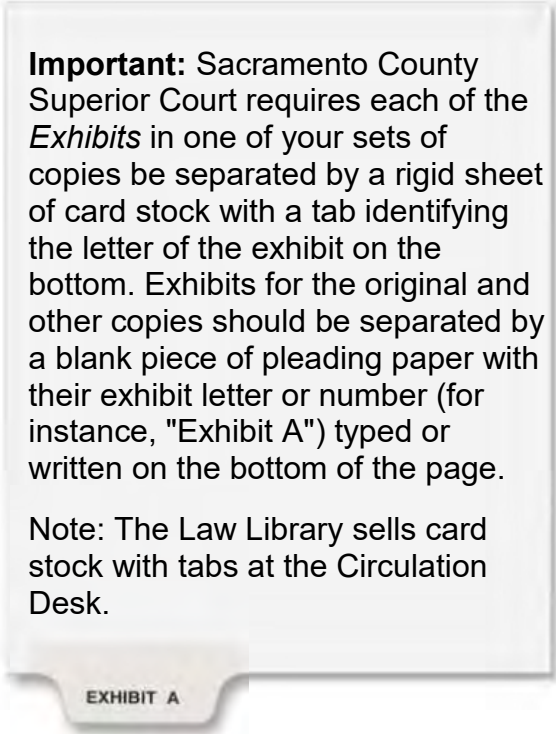
Use the date the declaration is signed.

Name and party designation of the person making the declaration.

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# Exhibit A



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3 916-123-9876

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4 Defendant, In Pro Per

7 SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO

8 PAUL SAMPLE,

9 Plaintiff,

10 vs.

11 DOUG DEFENDANT,

12 Defendant

11 Identify the plaintiff and defendant.

Your case number

Case No.: 34-2009-00012345

[PROPOSED] ORDER CONTINUING TRIAL AND MANDATORY SETTLEMENT CONFERENCE

The dates, times and department listed on your motion.

Date: April 6, 2016  
Dept: 47  
Time: 9:30 a.m.  
Judge: Hon. Kevin R. Culhane

Date Action Filed: August 1, 2015  
Mandatory Settlement: April 20, 2016  
Trial Date: May 3, 2016

17 Your name and party designation.

18 Plaintiff Doug Defendant for an order continuing trial and mandatory settlement  
19 conference came on regularly for hearing by the court on April 6, 2016. Plaintiff appeared by counsel  
20 Larry Lawyer; defendant appeared in pro per.

Hearing date.

21 On proof made to the satisfaction of the court that the motion ought to be granted,

22 IT IS ORDERED that the motion be, and her  
23 settlement conference are vacated. This case is referred back to the Case Management Program for  
24 setting of a trial date. Discovery remains open until 30 days before the next trial date that is set.

List attorney names or "in pro per" as appropriate.

25 Dated: \_\_\_\_\_.

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Judge of the Superior Court