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Santa Clara County Superior Court Extends Current Bail Schedule To September 1, 2020

At the June 23, 2020, meeting of the Santa Clara County Superior Court Bench, the Court extended the Bail Schedule adopted on June 18, 2020, until September 1, 2020. In the coming months, the Superior Court Bench will continue to monitor the health concerns presented by the COVID-19 pandemic and the public safety concerns of the community and reexamine the bail schedule accordingly.

Last week, the Judicial Council voted to rescind the Emergency (\$0) Bail Schedule for California, providing all 58 counties the opportunity to determine a bail schedule appropriate for their individual needs. "The Judicial Council's action better reflects the current needs of our state, which has different health concerns and restrictions county-to-county based on the threat posed by COVID-19," said Justice Marsha Slough, a Judicial Council member and chair of the Executive and Planning Committee.

On Thursday, June 18, 2020, Presiding Judge Deborah A. Ryan issued an interim order setting the bail schedule for Santa Clara County Superior Court effective June 20, 2020 that mirrored the statewide emergency \$0 bail. [The new order, issued on June 23, 2020](#), continues to adopt the existing Bail Schedule until September 1, 2020 unless otherwise amended or repealed by the court.

"Today, COVID-19 is an ever-present concern to the people of Santa Clara County, the Court, the jails, and persons held in custody," said Presiding Judge Deborah A. Ryan. "During this unique time in our county's history, our Court has been charged with balancing the people's health and safety in Santa Clara County. This is not a responsibility that the Court takes lightly. As such, our Bench believes that it is necessary to monitor and assess the issue of bail before September to determine the best course of action going forward at that time."



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