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## SUPERIOR COURT OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY COURTHOUSES TO REOPEN TUESDAY, JUNE 2

Most of the Court's 38 courthouses will reopen on Tuesday, June 2, to resume providing <u>essential services</u>. On Sunday, Presiding Judge Kevin C. Brazile ordered the courthouses closed today due to public safety concerns after the issuance of a countywide curfew which took effect at 6 p.m. on May 31, 2020.

All courthouses will reopen to handle time-sensitive and essential functions except the following which have been closed for some time due to COVID-19-related service reductions: Beverly Hills, Bellflower, Catalina, Central Civil West, East Los Angeles, Santa Clarita and Spring Street.

The Court plans to reopen its Clerk's Office operations on June 15 with a revised service model that prioritizes telephonic and online services, and appointments to meet in person with court personnel, in order to achieve social distancing protocols. Hearings will resume gradually beginning June 22. Face masks and/or facial coverings will be mandatory and required for entry into any courthouse or courtroom by the general public or authorized persons.

Since Presiding Judge Brazile released his March 17 General Order to scale back operations in the largest trial court in the country in alignment with State and County COVID-19 public health directives, the Court has implemented drastic changes to court operations. During this time, 473 of the Court's 600 courtrooms, approximately 80 percent, have been closed. Check for updates on the Court's website (<a href="www.lacourt.org">www.lacourt.org</a>) and Twitter page (<a href="www.lacourt.org">@LASuperiorCourt</a>).