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MENDOCINO COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT LAUNCHES A NEW ON-LINE PRODUCT TO ACCESS CASE INFORMATION AND DOCUMENTS

The Mendocino County Superior Court announces a replacement to the Case Information Portal that the public, attorneys and government partners have been using since 2021. The court is unveiling this new web-based product, $re:Search\ CA$, which is fully integrated with the court's case management system. The public will be required to register, using their email addresses, for access to court records in the new system. Access to the current Case Information Portal will be disabled immediately once the court goes live on $re:Search\ CA$, as Portal technology is no longer supported by the vendor. The go-live date for $re:Search\ CA$ is August 1, 2025. Members of the public, parties to cases, attorneys, government partners, and others trying to access cases through the Portal will be redirected to $re:Search\ CA$ beginning on this date.

Re:Search CA has many new features and enhancements that were not available in the Portal. Individuals and attorneys can create custom "dashboards" of their own cases and can set up custom court calendars to improve their ability to find information quickly. They can also set up alerts and reminders to be notified of upcoming hearings or when opposing parties file documents. For attorneys and parties to cases, they can access confidential documents that are not available to anyone else. Document viewing, downloading and purchasing will also be easier.

All Mendocino court case records are now maintained in electronic form. In addition, most civil cases will also be available remotely. However, as required by California Rules of Court rule 2.503(c), there are many case types that require the viewers that are not parties or attorneys to a case to come to the courthouse to view records. The court has set up kiosks in the Ukiah and Fort Bragg courthouses to allow the public to access non-confidential criminal, family law, restraining order, conservatorship and guardianship cases. The kiosks are located adjacent to the clerk's offices and instructions are available to assist the public in performing these record searches. Any time a publicly available case is made confidential by court order or by a change in law, it will no longer be viewable.

All individuals that wish to view cases remotely or at the courthouse will have to register their email addresses on *re:Search CA*. Individuals who are not parties to cases will be able to view non-confidential documents and hearing dates. Parties to cases, their attorneys and other participants in cases will have enhanced access to be able to see public and confidential documents and will be able to set up special features to improve their experience in monitoring their cases.

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