FRESNO COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT

CHAPTER 3. CRIMINAL RULES

RULE 3.6 TRAFFIC INFRACTION CASES

3.6.3 <u>Remote Video Proceedings in Traffic Infraction Cases</u>

A. Pursuant to California Rules of Court, rule 4.220(a), the Fresno Superior Court permits traffic infraction arraignments, trials and related proceedings to be conducted by two-way remote video communication methods. Sentence modification hearings may not be calendared for remote video proceedings.

B. Coalinga is designated as a location where eligible defendants may appear for remote video proceedings.

Additional remote locations may be designated.

C. To be eligible to appear for remote video proceedings:

1. The citation issued must be for an infraction as defined in California Rules of Court, rule 4.220(b)(1);

2. Defendant must comply with California Rules of Court, rule 4.220;

D. Pursuant to California Rules of Court, rule 4.220(g), law enforcement officers and other witnesses may testify at the remote location or in court and be cross-examined by the defendant from the remote location.

E. Defendant must submit form TR-505 or TR-510 and the bail amount when required to the Traffic Clerk's Office for filing. The forms may be submitted in person at:

Traffic Clerk's Office 2317 Tuolumne Street Fresno, CA 93721-1220

Or mailed to:

Fresno Superior Court Attn: Traffic Division 1100 Van Ness Avenue Fresno, CA 93724-0002

Or faxed to:

(559) 457-1710

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Or filed electronically. Please visit our website for information for filing electronically.

Forms submitted in person, by facsimile or filed electronically must be presented for filing on or before the appearance date indicated on the Notice to appear. Forms submitted by mail must be postmarked at least five (5) court days before the appearance date indicated on the Notice to Appear.

F. Upon receipt of a subpoena setting out the hearing date and remote location, law enforcement officers and other witnesses may make a request to appear in court instead of at the remote location. The request must be made via form PTR-506. The form may be submitted in person, faxed, filed electronically or mailed to the locations set out above. Forms submitted in person, faxed or filed electronically must be filed at least five (5) court days before the date of the video proceeding set out in the subpoena. Forms submitted by mail must be postmarked at least ten (10) days before the date of the video proceeding set out in the subpoena.

G. Any evidence to be considered at the remote trial must be filed with the Court at least two (2) court days before the scheduled trial date. Failure to timely file evidence with the Court may result in the court trial being continued and/or the evidence not being considered. All exhibits shall be accompanied by Form PTR-507 to assist in identifying the case associated with the exhibits. The form and exhibits may be submitted in person, faxed, electronically filed or mailed to the locations set out above. Exhibits submitted by mail should be postmarked at least ten (10) days before the remote video trial date.

Defendants and other law enforcement designees may bring one (1) copy of all demonstrative or physical evidence he/she intends to use in the presentation of his/her case to the remote location or the courtroom on the day of the hearing. Demonstrative or other physical evidence includes video and audio recordings submitted on a CD, DVD or USB drive, oversized maps, diagrams, three dimensional objects and blown up photographs. (Repealed effective September 15, 2022)