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State of California
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COVID-19 PANDEMIC CRIMINAL REMOTE PROCEEDINGS UPDATE

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Today amendments and additions to the Penal Code were passed by the Legislature and signed into law by the Governor. The new legislation allows for remote appearances in many criminal proceedings, see Penal Code sections 977 and 977.3.

Therefore, remote appearances will continue to be allowed on the criminal law and motion calendars when allowed under the law. Preliminary hearings, felony sentencings, settlement conferences, and trials continue to require in-person appearances. Counsel is required to appear in-person with any client who intends to appear in-person, as there is no means for private communication between the defendant and counsel prior to and during the proceedings.

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