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SOLANO SUPERIOR COURT PARTNERS WITH SOLANO BAR ASSOCIATION FOR AN UNLAWFUL DETAINER SETTLEMENT CONFERENCE PROGRAM

Fairfield, California – The Superior Court of California, County of Solano has partnered with the Solano County Bar Association to establish an unlawful detainer settlement conference program to assist landlords and tenants to mediate and settle eviction cases filed with the Superior Court. The Bar Association will provide the Court with trained judge pro tems to assist the Court with settlement conferences starting October 1, 2021. Settlement conferences will be scheduled each Friday at the Hall of Justice in Fairfield.

Judge Wendy G. Getty, Supervising Civil Judge, said "The past 18 months have been an extremely difficult time for both landlords and tenants. Recognizing these challenges, the civil division added settlement conferences to the eviction process which have proved to be an invaluable asset by reducing conflict, promoting understanding of the legal process and assisting the parties to reach resolution. This program continues the hard work the judges have put into helping landlords and tenants to find solutions."

Residential landlords and tenants should be aware that for evictions related to the non-payment of Covid 19 protected rent (March 1, 2020-September 30, 2021), a verification of efforts to secure COVID 19 Rent Relief funding made available through the state is required when filing the complaint and when seeking a default. Judicial Council forms regarding unlawful detainers are available at www.courts.ca.gov and further explain this process. The State of California has allocated funding for income-eligible renters and their landlords who have been impacted by COVID-19 to cover unpaid rent and/or utilities. These rental assistance payments will help to reimburse landlords and keep tenants housed. Individuals can verify their eligibility for the CA COVID-19 Rent Relief program and apply by visiting www.HousinglsKey.com, or by calling 833-430-2122. You can also find out more information regarding your legal rights and responsibilities as a landlord or tenant at this website.

The Court also offers a UD Hotline for both landlords and tenants. The advisory hotline is a free service provided by the Court. Services are provided by licensed attorneys, paralegals or supervised legal interns. Legal and procedural information is provided via telephone to both landlords and tenants in Solano County. To learn more about this program and information on unlawful detainer actions, please refer to the court's website at www.solano.courts.ca.gov.