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COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ

USE OF RECORDING AND
PHOTOGRAPH DEVICES IN
COURTHOUSE FACILITIES

STANDING ORDER NO. 19-42

It is well settled that there is no constitutional right to photograph or otherwise electronically record open judicial proceedings. (See *Marin Independent Journal v. Municipal Court* (1993) 12 Cal.App.4th 1712, 1718 [“Electronic recording of judicial proceedings is subject to the discretion of the court”], citing *Nixon v. Warner Communications, Inc.* (1978) 435 U.S. 589, 610.) Furthermore, a courthouse facility qualifies as a nonpublic forum. (See, e.g., *United States v. Grace* (1983) 461 U.S. 171, 179.) Consistent with case law, California Rules of Court and Rule 1.150, no photographs, video recordings or audio recordings may be taken anywhere in or into any courthouse facility, courtrooms, hallways, elevators, clerk’s offices or counters or transaction windows with any device capable of photographing, recording or broadcasting, unless permitted by an order of the Court.

SO ORDERED.

Date: 11/18/2019



PRESIDING JUDGE PAUL P. BURDICK