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NOTICE

FAMILY LAW ORDERS DURING COVID-19 PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY

There has been some confusion concerning whether family law orders must be followed during the state of emergency caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. All existing family law orders, including those concerning child custody and visitation, remain in effect and must be followed. If a party believes that emergency circumstances exist to modify an order to prevent immediate and irreparable harm, the party may file an ex parte request to modify the order. The Riverside Superior Court continues to receive, process and rule on any such ex parte request.

In addition, the Riverside Superior Court cannot issue an advisory opinion concerning any individual case or general factual scenario.