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CIVIL EXPEDITED BENCH TRIALS ANNOUNCEMENT

In an effort to handle judicial resources more efficiently and address the backlog of civil bench trials, the Superior Court Presiding Judge will be entertaining Motions for Expedited Bench Trial Dates.

To be eligible for an expedited trial date, the following criteria must be met:

1. The trial must be to the court without a jury,
2. The case must be or have been ready for trial between March 13, 2020 and May 15, 2020,
3. The parties or the Court must have confirmed the original trial date,
4. The trial must have been continued due to an Emergency Order, and
5. The proposed expedited trial date must be between May 18, 2020 and July 3, 2020.

Parties who wish to obtain a date earlier than the current one assigned must submit a motion and supporting documents to the Presiding Judge on the Presiding Judge's Motion Calendar, Monday through Friday. The Presiding Judge will decide these motions without oral argument.

Parties must submit a calendar note, motion, declaration, and any supporting documents with a proposed new expedited bench trial date. The proposed date must be between May 18, 2020 and July 3, 2020. Working copies should be submitted via email directly to the Presiding Judge's law clerk.

The motion shall contain the following information: The previous trial date, the currently set trial date, the new proposed expedited bench trial date, or a list of acceptable expedited bench trial dates, whether the parties agree, the estimated length of trial, and any other scheduling considerations.

If the Court grants a motion for an expedited trial date, ***the new expedited trial date will be automatically court-confirmed.*** When granting a motion for an expedited trial date, the Court will retain the previously set trial date as a back-up date in case the trial assignment on the expedited date becomes impossible. If the back-up trial date was previously court-confirmed it will remain court-confirmed. If it was not court-confirmed, the parties will be required to confirm.

The following Calendar Note from should be used: [link to calendar note.](#)