

**JUDGE ALBERT'S VIDEO AND TELEPHONIC APPEARANCE PROCEDURES**  
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Judge Albert's hearings continue to be conducted using ZoomGov audio and video but hearing participants have the option of appearing in person. **IF A HEARING PARTICIPANT WISHES TO APPEAR IN PERSON ADVANCE NOTICE WILL BE REQUIRED.** Instructions for a moving party to provide advance notice can be found under the Self-Calendaring section of this page. If a responding party wishes to appear in person, the language "[R]esponding party intends to appear in person" must appear prominently below the hearing information in the caption on the first document filed in response to the motion. If you have a matter pending that is scheduled for hearing and wish to appear in person, you must give notice by calling the Courtroom Deputy at 714-338-5304 no later than one week prior to the hearing. **The courtroom will remain locked unless the court receives notice that a participant intends to appear in person.**

Case participants may participate in hearings before Judge Albert using ZoomGov video and audio free of charge. Video and audio connection information for each hearing will be provided on Judge Albert's publicly posted hearing calendar, which may be viewed online at: <http://ecf-ciao.cacb.uscourts.gov/CiaoPosted/default.aspx> and selecting "Judge Albert" from the tab on the left side of the page.

**BY MANDATE OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES COURTS, MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AND THE MEDIA MAY ONLY CONNECT TO THE ZOOMGOV AUDIO FEED, AND ONLY BY TELEPHONE. ACCESS TO THE VIDEO FEED BY THESE INDIVIDUALS IS PROHIBITED. IN THE CASE OF A TRIAL OR EVIDENTIARY HEARING, NO AUDIO ACCESS WILL BE PROVIDED. However, members of the public and the media may observe such proceedings in person (with advance notice to chambers).**

A ZoomGov account is not necessary for remote access, and no pre-registration is required. Remote access through ZoomGov is free of charge. The audio portion of each hearing will be recorded electronically by the Court and constitute its official record.

**ALL PERSONS (OTHER THAN AUTHORIZED COURT STAFF) ARE STRICTLY PROHIBITED FROM MAKING ANY AUDIO OR VIDEO RECORDING OF COURT PROCEEDINGS, BY ANY MEANS. VIOLATION OF THIS PROHIBITION MAY RESULT IN THE IMPOSITION OF MONETARY AND NON-MONETARY SANCTIONS.**

Remote access is a privilege. Judge Albert reserves the right to suspend or discontinue any party's remote access privileges in his discretion. Further, although Judge Albert is pleased to make this accommodation available, any party or counsel that elects to appear remotely bears the risk of malfunction or disconnection from the hearing.