

MEDIA AGENCY (name): CHANNEL/FREQUENCY NO.: PERSON SUBMITTING REQUEST (name): ADDRESS: <div style="text-align: right;">TELEPHONE NO.:</div>	FOR COURT USE ONLY
Insert name of court and name of judicial district and branch court, if any: <div style="text-align: center;"><b>Merced Superior Court</b></div>	
TITLE OF CASE:	
NAME OF JUDGE:	
<b>ORDER ON MEDIA REQUEST TO PERMIT COVERAGE</b>	CASE NUMBER:

AGENCY MAKING REQUEST (name):

1. a.  No hearing was held.  
 b.  Date of hearing:                      Time:                      Dept./Div.:                      Room:
2. The court considered all the relevant factors listed in subdivision (e)(3) of California Rules of Court, rule 1.150 (see reverse).
3.  **THE COURT FINDS** (findings or a statement of decision are optional):     Attached     As follows:

**THE COURT ORDERS**

4. The request to photograph, record, or broadcast is
- a.  **denied.**
- b.  **granted** subject to the conditions in rule 1.150, California Rules of Court, **AND** the following:
- (1)  The local rules of this court regulating media activity outside the courtroom (copy attached).
  - (2)  The order of the presiding or supervising judge regulating media activity outside the courtroom (copy attached).
  - (3)  Payment to the clerk of increased court- incurred costs of (specify): \$                       to be determined.
  - (4)  The media agency shall demonstrate to the court that the proposed personnel and equipment comply with California Rules of Court, rule 1.150, and any local rule or order.
  - (5)  Personnel and equipment shall be placed  as directed  as indicated in the attachment  as follows (specify): in back of the courtroom.
- (6) (i)  The attached statement of agreed pooling arrangements is approved.  
 (ii)  A statement of agreed pooling arrangements satisfactory to the court shall be filed before coverage begins.
- (7)  This order  
 (i)  shall not apply to allow coverage of proceedings that are continued.  
 (ii)  shall apply to allow coverage of proceedings that are continued.
- (8)  Other (specify): Still photography and video coverage of counsel and defendant only.  
 Photographing and/or recording judicial officers, court staff, and jurors is not permitted.
5. Coverage granted in item 4b is permitted in the following proceedings:
- a.  All proceedings, except those prohibited by California Rules of Court, rule 1.150, and those proceedings prohibited by further court order.
- b.  Only the following proceedings (specify type or date or both):
6.  The order made on (date):                      is  terminated  modified as follows (specify):

7.  Number of pages attached:

Date:

(See reverse for additional information)

JUDGE

CASE NAME:

CASE NUMBER:

**FACTORS CONSIDERED BY THE JUDGE IN MAKING THIS ORDER (Rule 1.150)**

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Importance of maintaining public trust and confidence in the judicial system</li> <li>2. Importance of promoting public access to the judicial system</li> <li>3. Parties' support of or opposition to the request</li> <li>4. Nature of the case</li> <li>5. Privacy rights of all participants in the proceeding, including witnesses, jurors, and victims</li> <li>6. Effect on any minor who is a party, prospective witness, victim, or other participant in the proceeding</li> <li>7. Effect on the parties' ability to select a fair and unbiased jury</li> <li>8. Effect on any ongoing law enforcement activity in the case</li> <li>9. Effect on any unresolved identification issues</li> <li>10. Effect on any subsequent proceedings in the case</li> </ol> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>11. Effect of coverage on the willingness of witnesses to cooperate, including the risk that coverage will engender threats to the health or safety of any witness</li> <li>12. Effect on excluded witnesses who would have access to the televised testimony of prior witnesses</li> <li>13. Scope of the coverage and whether partial coverage might unfairly influence or distract the jury</li> <li>14. Difficulty of jury selection if a mistrial is declared</li> <li>15. Security and dignity of the court</li> <li>16. Undue administrative or financial burden to the court or participants</li> <li>17. Interference with neighboring courtrooms</li> <li>18. Maintaining orderly conduct of the proceeding</li> <li>19. Any other factor the judge deems relevant</li> </ol> |
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**PROHIBITED COVERAGE (Rule 1.150)**

This order does not permit photographing, recording, or broadcasting of the following in the court:

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The jury or the spectators</li> <li>2. Jury selection</li> <li>3. A conference between an attorney and a client, witness, or aide</li> <li>4. A conference between attorneys</li> </ol> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>5. A conference between counsel and the judge at the bench ("sidebars")</li> <li>6. A proceeding closed to the public</li> <li>7. A proceeding held in chambers</li> </ol> |
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**MEDIA PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT (Rule 1.150)**

NOTE: These requirements apply unless the judge orders otherwise. Refer to the order for additional requirements.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. No more than one television camera</li> <li>2. No more than one still photographer</li> <li>3. No more than one microphone operator and no obtrusive microphones or wiring</li> <li>4. No operator entry or exit or other distraction when the court is in session</li> <li>5. No moving equipment when the court is in session</li> </ol> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>6. No distracting sounds or lights</li> <li>7. No visible signal light or device that shows when equipment is operating</li> <li>8. No disruption of proceedings, nor public expense, to install, operate, or remove modifications to existing sound and lighting systems</li> <li>9. No media agency insignia or marking on equipment or clothing</li> </ol> |
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**SANCTIONS FOR VIOLATING THIS ORDER (Rule 1.150)**

Any violation of this order or rule 1.150 is an unlawful interference with the proceedings of the court. The violation may result in an order terminating media coverage, a citation for contempt of court, or an order imposing monetary or other sanctions.