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## **NEW COURTROOM AT LODI POLICE FACILITY IN SESSION**

Lodi- Superior Court of San Joaquin County is pleased to announce that Department L-1 will hold its first session of court on Tuesday, February 19, 2008 in the new Lodi Police Facility located at 217 W. Elm Street. Judge Bob McNatt will preside over court in Department L-1. The Court will begin moving Department L-1 and support staff currently located at 230 W. Elm Street into the west-wing of the second floor of the Lodi Police Facility on Friday, February 15, 2008.

The move into the Lodi Police Facility has been a much anticipated event as this will facilitate more efficient court operations. Along with a new courtroom, the move will provide support staff with more working space and storage for files, a jury deliberation room, space for attorneys to meet with the judge, and secured circulation of in-custody defendants who will be appearing in court. Currently, in-custody defendants are escorted across the street from the city jail by Sheriff's deputies to the courthouse. The move to the Lodi Police Facility will eliminate this process and in-custody defendants will be brought to court in an elevator directly from the jail.

At the new location, Department L-1 will continue to hear criminal matters and assist the public with processing passports. Business hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. will remain the same. Department L-2 will continue to hold court at 315 W. Elm Street and this location will continue to be the mailing address for both court departments.

On Friday, February 15, Department L-1 will hold court as usual in the morning. However, at 12:00 noon, all computers and phones for L-1 will be disconnected. Department L-2 will be open on Friday, February 15, 2008 and will handle all court matters and telephone inquiries.

Lodi Branch, **L-1**: Located at 217 W. Elm Street, Lodi, CA 95240 (courtroom on the second floor)

Lodi Branch, **L-2**: Located at 315 W. Elm Street, Lodi, CA 95240

Lodi Branch, **Mailing Address**: 315 W. Elm Street, Lodi, CA 95240

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