

Santa Cruz Superior Court Self Help Center

Small Claims Presentation Links



How to Get Help:

Call us: 831-786-7370

Voicemail line. Leave Your Questions and your phone number.
Calls returned in 72 hours or less during business days.

Email us: selfhelp.information@santacruzcourt.org

Emails returned within 48 hours during business days.

In-Person Assistance:

Mon - Thurs

8:30-11:30 am & 1-3pm

(First Come, First Served)

Watsonville Courthouse

Self Help Center, Room 301

1 Second Street

Watsonville, CA 95076

Helpful Links:

Resolving Your Small Claims Case in California: short series of videos from California Courts (from 2018, may have some outdated information): <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jtTKYK7BtmY>

CRC – Conflict Resolution Center <https://www.crcsantacruz.org/> mediation services offered pre and post filing.

Small Claims Basics, California Courts Self Help Center: helpful step-by-step guide with links to forms and live chat option: <https://selfhelp.courts.ca.gov/small-claims-california>

Demand Letter Program: <https://selfhelp.courts.ca.gov/small-claims/ask-for-money>

Santa Cruz County Information About Filing with Links to Judicial Council Forms <https://www.santacruz.courts.ca.gov/divisions/small-claims-division>

Secretary of State Business Search Website
<https://bizfileonline.sos.ca.gov/search/business>

Santa Cruz County Fictitious Business Name Search
<http://sccounty01.co.santa-cruz.ca.us/clerkrecorder/Asp/FBNInquiry.asp>

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Direct link to Guide & File for Santa Cruz Superior Court

<https://www.santacruz.courts.ca.gov/forms-filing/electronic-filing/file-home>

Interpreter Request Form <https://selfhelp.courts.ca.gov/jcc-form/INT-300>

Video/Audio Evidence Submission Guidelines

<https://www.santacruz.courts.ca.gov/divisions/small-claims-division>

Tips on Preparing for Trial <https://selfhelp.courts.ca.gov/small-claims/trial>

Santa Cruz Superior Court Remote Appearance Information

<https://www.santacruz.courts.ca.gov/online-services/participating-remotely-zoom>

Santa Cruz Superior Court Day of Court Mediation Information:

<https://www.santacruz.courts.ca.gov/divisions/small-claims-division/small-claims-mediation>

Collecting Your Judgment:

<https://selfhelp.courts.ca.gov/small-claims/after-trial/collect-money/add-costs-and-interest-whats-owed>

Information on Interest Rates on Judgments & Renewing Your Judgment:

<https://selfhelp.courts.ca.gov/judgment-renewals-and-interest-rates>