

How to Transmit and Access Documents Related to Special Motions to Strike Strategic Lawsuits Against Public Participation (SLAPPs)

Assembly Bill 1675 (Stat. 1999, ch. 960) amended Code of Civil Procedure section 425.16 to require any party who files a special motion to strike or who files an opposition to such a motion to, upon filing, promptly transmit the following documents to the Judicial Council: (1) *a copy of the endorsed-filed caption page of the motion or opposition (**caption page only – not entire motion papers**)*, (2) *a copy of any related notice of appeal or petition for a writ, and* (3) *a conformed copy of any order pursuant to section 425.16, including any order granting or denying a special motion to strike, discovery, or fees.* The information that follows explains how to transmit and access these documents.

To Transmit Documents by Fax

Send documents with a clearly addressed fax cover sheet to:

Judicial Council of California
Administrative Office of the Courts
RE: SLAPP Documents Per CCP §425.16
Attn: Office of Court Research
Fax: 415-865-4332

To Transmit Documents by E-Mail

Send an e-mail message with the documents in an attachment to SLAPP@jud.ca.gov. The e-mail message must include the date the documents were filed with the court.

To Access Case Information

Web Access:

A log of cases reported to the Judicial Council is available on the California Courts Web site (www.courtinfo.ca.gov). This log outlines identifying information for cases whose documents have been transmitted to the Judicial Council. To locate the log, go to the menu bar at the top of the home page, click on "Search", and search the site (use either "SLAPP" or "CCP 425.16" as a keyword).

To Physically View Documents:

On-site viewing is by appointment only. Call the Judicial Council of California, Administrative Office of the Courts, Office of Court Research at 415.865.7454 to schedule an appointment.

For Further Assistance:

Call Shaunese Henderson at 415-865-7454 for assistance related to transmitting documents, on-site viewing appointments, and other questions related to SLAPP.