

**UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS
FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT**

**ORDER REGARDING COURT OPERATION DURING A LAPSE IN
APPROPRIATION OR ABSENCE OF CONTINUING RESOLUTION**

BEFORE: Murguia, Chief Judge

The Court of Appeals has a constitutional duty to continue to hear and resolve cases, even during a period of government shutdown. To perform that duty, which includes the performance of functions necessary and essential to the continued resolution of cases, judges rely on their chambers staff, as well as the officers and employees of the Court. Therefore, consistent with national directives, if appropriations for the current fiscal year are not continued or funded prior to the beginning of fiscal year 2026, all staff, officers, and employees of the Court of Appeals, Office of the Circuit Executive, and Ninth Circuit Libraries are ordered to report to work during their normally scheduled hours until further notice.

The Court will continue to evaluate the fiscal situation and will adjust this directive as required.

FOR THE COURT:

Mary H. Murguia
Chief Judge

Dated: September 30, 2025