

## **HUGH NGUYEN** CLERK-RECORDER

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## **NEWS RELEASE**

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## Online Appointment System Now Available for Passports

Anyone interested in obtaining a passport can now make an appointment online through the Orange County Clerk-Recorder Department's website. Applications already can be filled out online so most of the work can be done in advance.

Passport applications are accepted at the Old County Courthouse in Santa Ana. The link for appointments and application can be found here: <a href="https://cr.ocgov.com/ePassport3/ePassport">https://cr.ocgov.com/ePassport3/ePassport</a>.

Passport applicants must sign in person, including both parents of children younger than 16 years old. The passport application desk is open from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. In addition, the office will be open from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, July 27, for passport and marriage services.

"We're happy to allow people to make advance appointments for these important services," Clerk-Recorder Hugh Nguyen said. "We're always looking for ways to make our operation more efficient and user friendly."

As an added convenience, passport photos are available on the spot for \$15. For more information, please call (714) 834-2500.

Innovation in making online passport application appointments is just one way the Clerk-Recorder Department is helping make services more accessible. The department has locations in downtown Santa Ana plus two branch offices in historic downtown Fullerton and the Laguna Hills Civic Center. Parking is free at the branch offices.

The County Clerk-Recorder provides a variety of public services, including recording documents relating to real property transactions; maintaining and issuing copies of birth, death and marriage certificates; issuing marriage licenses and performing civil wedding ceremonies. The department additionally files Fictitious Business Names and Notary Public oaths and bonds. The department also oversees the Orange County Archives

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