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## SUPERIOR COURT OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY **EXPERIENCES RANSOMWARE ATTACK**

On Friday, July 19, 2024, the Superior Court of Los Angeles County's Court Technology Services (CTS) Division identified a serious security event in the Court's internal systems which has now been determined to be a ransomware attack. The attack began in the early morning hours of Friday, July 19. The attack is believed to be unrelated to the CrowdStrike issue currently creating disruptions to technology platforms worldwide.

Immediately upon discovery of the attack, the Court disabled its network systems to mitigate further harm. The Court's network systems will remain disabled at least through the weekend to enable the Court to further remediate the issue. The Court is receiving support from the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (CALOES) as well as local, state and federal law enforcement agencies to investigate the breach and mitigate its impacts. At this time, the preliminary investigation shows no evidence of court user's data being compromised.

Over the past few years, the Court has invested heavily in its cybersecurity operations, modernizing its cybersecurity infrastructure and making strategic staff investments in the Cybersecurity Division within CTS. As a result of this investment, the Court was able to quickly detect an intrusion and address it immediately.

Due to the ongoing nature of the investigation, remediation and recovery, the Court will not comment further until additional information is available for public release.

Further information on impacted court operations and services will be shared as it becomes available.

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