

W-9 instructions

The San Francisco Controller's Office procedure for processing newly appointed court professional (i.e., attorneys, expert witnesses, private investigators, transcribers, translators, etc.) also called vendors. When an attorney is new to the panel or retains a new professional to assist with a case, the professional should forward their information to the address below as soon as possible to facilitate payment.

Before a new vendor can be added to the citywide system and a check can be issued, it is mandatory that they fill out a W-9 form and return it to the following address:

San Francisco Superior Court

Attention: Ernie Wong

400 McAllister Street, #205

San Francisco, CA 94102

To expedite this process, the vendor may email the information to Ernie Wong (EWong@sftc.org) and then mail the W-9 with the original signature to the address above. Please include a cover letter with the vendor's contact information and type (e.g. attorney, expert witness, private investigator, transcribers, translators, etc.) with your email and mailing.

The vendor will receive payment for services and ultimately a 1099 form in the exact name on the W-9 form. If the company name or address changes, a new W-9 must be submitted.

Refusal to fill out this form and return it will delay payments to new vendors.