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FOR THE COUNTY OF STANISLAUS

GENERAL ORDER RE APPOINTMENT OF PUBLIC DEFENDER IN CRIMINAL CASES GENERAL ORDER 2020-007

CR-20-999999

Based on Executive Order N-38-20, dated March 27, 2020, issued by Governor Gavin Newsom, and the authority granted to the Court in the March 30, 2020 statewide order of Chief Justice Tani G. Cantil-Sakauye, Chair of the Judicial Council of California, on April 1, 2020, this Court issued General Order No. 2020-006, which implemented the statewide order and extended deadlines for certain court proceedings. More specifically, the Court extended the time period provided in section 825 of the Penal Code within which a defendant charged with a felony offense must be taken before a magistrate from 48 hours to not more than seven (7) days.

Based on the above, the Court orders:

- 1. Upon the filing of a felony complaint, the Stanislaus County Public Defender (Public Defender) is appointed to represent the defendant.
- 2. If the Public Defender cannot accept the appointment due to a conflict, the Public Defender shall notify the Conflict Oversight Administrator and Alternative Indigent Defense and the matter will be referred to a conflict attorney.
- 3. Notwithstanding the foregoing and only if consistent with the Rules of Professional Responsibility, if the Public Defender declares a conflict, the Public Defender may make a special appearance on behalf of the defendant at the arraignment.
- 4. Nothing in this order should be construed to limit a defendant's right to retain counsel, at his or her own expense.
- 5. This order does not relieve a defendant, with an ability to pay for counsel, the obligation to repay all or a portion of the cost of the legal assistance provided to him or her.

This order is effective immediately and shall remain in effect until modified or rescinded by order of this court

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED: April 7, 2020

DAWNA F. REEVES,

JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT