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COUNTY OF STANISLAUS

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SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
FOR THE COUNTY OF STANISLAUS

GENERAL ORDER IMPLEMENTING
RENEWED EMERGENCY RELIEF
(Gov. Code §68115)

) GENERAL ORDER
2022-009

CR-22-999999

Given the ongoing COVID-19 public health emergency, the Stanislaus County Superior Court (“Court”) has previously requested emergency authorizations from Chief Justice Tani G. Cantil-Sakauye, as Chair of the Judicial Council of California, pursuant to Government Code section 68115. On March 18, 2020, the Chief Justice granted the Court’s first request for emergency relief and issued an order authorizing the Court to take emergency measures. The Court implemented this relief via General Order on March 19, 2020. At the Court’s request, the

1 Chief Justice has issued further emergency orders authorizing the Court to extend various
2 emergency measures on April 16, May 15, June 10, June 12, June 19, July 13, August 11,
3 September 10, October 9, November 9, December 9, 2020, January 7, February 4, March 5,
4 April 2, May 3, June 1, July 1, July 30, August 27, September 24, October 22, November 18,
5 December 17, 2021, January 14, February 16, and March 18, 2022, respectively, all of which the
6 Court has implemented via General Order.
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10 In addition to the emergency authority the Chief Justice has granted directly to the Court
11 in her court specific emergency orders, on March 30, 2020, the Chief Justice issued a statewide
12 emergency order granting all 58 courts in California additional emergency authority. While
13 certain portions of the Chief Justice's March 30, 2020 statewide emergency order were rescinded
14 effective June 10, 2020, other portions – including the section upon which the Court relies in
15 implementing Item 2 of this General Order - remain in effect until April 30, 2022.
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18 Because COVID-19 related emergency conditions continue to exist in Stanislaus County,
19 the Court renewed its request for authorization to extend certain emergency measures on April
20 18, 2022, and on April 20, 2022, the Chief Justice issued an order granting such authority
21 directly to the Stanislaus County Superior Court effective through the dates set forth herein.
22 Now, exercising the authority granted under Government Code section 68115, the Chief Justice's
23 March 30, 2020, statewide emergency order, and the further April 20, 2022, order of the Chief
24 Justice,
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28 This Court **HEREBY FINDS AND ORDERS AS FOLLOWS:**

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- 2 1. The Court extends the time period provided in section 1382 of the Penal Code within which a
- 3 trial must be held by fifteen (15) days. (Gov. Code, § 68115(a)(10)). This order applies only
- 4 to cases in which the original or previously extended statutory deadline otherwise would
- 5 expire from 4/20/2022 to 5/19/2022, inclusive.
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- 8 2. For preliminary examinations scheduled from 4/20/2022 to 4/30/2022, inclusive, the Court
- 9 extends the time period provided in section 859b of the Penal Code for the holding of a
- 10 preliminary examination from ten (10) court days to not more than thirty (30) court days.
- 11 (Order of Chief Justice Tani G. Cantil-Sakauye, dated March 30, 2020, Section A.1.) For
- 12 example, a preliminary examination scheduled on 4/20/2022 may be scheduled not more than
- 13 thirty (30) court days later.
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17 This order is intended to supplement the statewide orders issued by the Chief Justice of

18 the California Supreme Court and Emergency Rules of Court adopted by the Judicial Council of

19 California. If there is any conflict between the terms of the statewide orders or Emergency Rules

20 of Court and this order, the statewide orders and Emergency Rules shall control.

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23 IT IS SO ORDERED.

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25 DATED: April 20, 2022



ROBERT B. WESTBROOK,
PRESIDING JUDGE OF THE
SUPERIOR COURT