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

GENERAL ORDER REGARDING CHANGES
IN COVID-19 PROTOCOLS

GENERAL ORDER 2022-015

CR-22-999999

The Court makes the following findings:

In making changes to its COVID-19 protocols, the Stanislaus County Superior Court ("Court") relies on guidance it receives from public health officials including the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the California Department of Public Health (CDPH).

The CDC has established COVID-19 "Community Levels" to provide such guidance.

Community Levels can be "low", "medium" or "high" – depending on the reported COVID-19 metrics in a given community. The CDC's recommendations and guidance for preventing transmission of the COVID-19 virus change depending on the community's level.

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Stanislaus County's Community Level has fluctuated from "low" to "medium" to "high" over the past six (6) months. As of March 16, 2022, Stanislaus County's Community Level was "low". It progressed to "medium" on June 9, 2022 and then "high" on June 23, 2022.

Due to the increasing Community Level on June 24, 2022, the Court implemented General Order No. 2022-013. The Court's order included a series of COVID-19 mitigation measures and protocols designed to limit the spread of the COVID-19 virus and to protect the safety of the public, parties, attorneys, justice partners, law enforcement personnel, and Court employees who are required to be physically present in Court facilities on a daily basis.

The Community Level in Stanislaus County remained "high" until August 25, 2022, when the level finally fell to "medium". Therefore, based on the above, the Court orders as follows:

- 1. General Order No. 2022-013 is revoked;
- 2. Any unvaccinated person who enters a Stanislaus County Superior Court facility must wear a mask. This order applies to all persons, including Court employees, attorneys, parties, witnesses, jurors, law enforcement personnel, and members of the public. This order is effective immediately and shall remain in effect until amended or revoked by further order of the Court.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED: August 26, 202

PRESIDING JUDGE OF THE

SUPERIOR COURT