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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
2021-021

CR-21-999999

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, and September 24, 2021 respectively, all of
5 which the Court has implemented via General Order.
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8 In addition to the emergency authority the Chief Justice has granted directly to the Court
9 in her court specific emergency orders, on March 30, 2020, the Chief Justice issued a statewide
10 emergency order granting all 58 courts in California additional emergency authority. While
11 certain portions of the Chief Justice's March 30, 2020 statewide emergency order were rescinded
12 effective June 10, 2020, other portions – including the section upon which the Court relies in
13 implementing this General Order - remain in effect.
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16 Because COVID-19 related emergency conditions continue to exist in Stanislaus County,
17 the Court renewed its request for authorization to extend certain emergency measures on October
18 21, 2021, and on October 22, 2021, the Chief Justice issued an order granting such authority
19 directly to the Stanislaus County Superior Court effective through the dates set forth herein.
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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 October 22, 2021, order of the Chief
24 Justice,
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26 **This Court HEREBY FINDS AND ORDERS AS FOLLOWS:**
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- 1 1. The Court may hold sessions anywhere in the county, including in correctional and juvenile
2 detention facilities from 10/22/2021 to 11/20/2021, inclusive. (Gov. Code, § 68115(a)(1));
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- 5 2. The Court extends the time periods provided in sections 583.310 and 583.320 of the Code of
6 Civil Procedure to bring an action to trial by not more than thirty (30) days. (Gov. Code,
7 § 68115(a)(6).) This order applies only to cases in which the statutory deadline otherwise
8 would expire from 10/22/2021 to 11/20/2021, inclusive;
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11 3. The Court extends the time period provided in section 1382 of the Penal Code within which a
12 trial must be held by thirty (30) days. (Gov. Code, § 68115(a)(10)). This order applies only
13 to cases in which the original or previously extended statutory deadline otherwise would
14 expire from 10/22/2021 to 11/20/2021, inclusive.
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17 4. The Court extends the time period provided in section 859b of the Penal Code for the holding
18 of a preliminary examination from ten (10) court days to not more than thirty (30) court days.
19 (Order of Chief Justice Tani G. Cantil-Sakauye, dated March 30, 2020, Section A.1.) This
20 order applies in all cases until revoked or modified by order of this Court or of the Chief
21 Justice of the California Supreme Court.
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24 5. If the court determines it is necessary, the court may extend the time period provided in
25 section 313 of the Welfare and Institutions Code within which a minor taken into custody
26 pending dependency proceedings must be released from custody to not more than seven (7)
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1 days. (Gov. Code, § 68115(a)(11).) This order applies only to minors for whom the
2 statutory deadline otherwise would expire from 10/22/2021 to 11/20/2021, inclusive.
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5 6. If the court determines it is necessary, the court may extend the time period provided in
6 section 315 of the Welfare and Institutions Code within which a minor taken into custody
7 pending dependency proceedings must be given a detention hearing to not more than seven
8 (7) days. (Gov. Code, § 68115(a)(11).) This order applies only to minors for whom the
9 statutory deadline otherwise would expire from 10/22/2021 to 11/20/2021, inclusive.
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12 7. If the court determines it is necessary, the court may extend the time periods provided in
13 sections 632 and 637 of the Welfare and Institutions Code within which a minor taken into
14 custody pending wardship proceedings and charged with a felony offense must be given a
15 detention hearing or rehearing to not more than seven (7) days. (Gov. Code, § 68115(a)(11).)
16 This order applies only to minors for whom the statutory deadline otherwise would expire
17 from 10/22/2021 to 11/20/2021, inclusive.
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21 8. If the court determines it is necessary, the court may extend the time period provided in
22 section 334 of the Welfare and Institutions Code within which a hearing on a juvenile
23 dependency petition must be held by not more than seven (7) days. (Gov. Code, §
24 68115(a)(12).) This order applies only to minors for whom the statutory deadline otherwise
25 would expire from 10/22/2021 to 11/20/2021, inclusive.
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1 9. If the court determines it is necessary, the court may extend the time period provided in
2 section 657 of the Welfare and Institutions Code within which a hearing on a wardship
3 petition for a minor charged with a felony offense must be held by not more than fifteen (15)
4 days. (Gov. Code, § 68115(a)(12).) This order applies only to minors for whom the
5 statutory deadline otherwise would expire from 10/22/2021 to 11/20/2021, inclusive.
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8 This order is intended to supplement the statewide orders issued by the Chief Justice of
9 the California Supreme Court and Emergency Rules of Court adopted by Judicial Council of
10 California. If there is any conflict between the terms of the statewide orders or Emergency Rules
11 of Court and this order, the statewide orders and Emergency Rules shall control.
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14 IT IS SO ORDERED.
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17 DATED: October 22, 2021



18 ROBERT B. WESTBROOK,
19 PRESIDING JUDGE OF THE
20 SUPERIOR COURT
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