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Clerk of Superior Court of California,
County of Sonoma
By *M. Lentley*
Deputy Clerk

SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF SONOMA

**GENERAL ORDER RE: IMPLEMENTATION OF EMERGENCY RELIEF
AUTHORIZED PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 68115 BY CHAIR
OF JUDICIAL COUNCIL**

Exercising the authority granted under Government Code section 68115 and the November 30, 2020 Order (“Order”) of Chief Justice Tani G. Cantil-Sakauye, Chair of the Judicial Council of California, issued in response to the November 30, 2020 request for an emergency order made by the Superior Court of Sonoma County (“Court”), this Court HEREBY FINDS AND ORDERS AS FOLLOWS:

With the concurrence of the Presiding Judge, the Court may order that sessions be held anywhere in the county, including in correctional and juvenile detention facilities, from December 1, 2020, to January 31, 2021, inclusive (Gov. Code, § 68115(a)(1));

In cases in which the statutory deadline otherwise would expire from December 1, 2020, to January 31, 2021, inclusive, any judge of the Court may extend the time period provided in section 1382 of the Penal Code for the holding of a criminal trial by not more than 30 days (Gov. Code, § 68115(a)(10));

THIS ORDER IS EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY.

Dated: December 1, 2020



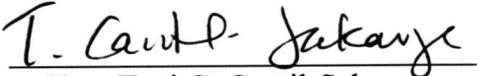
Bradford DeMeo, Presiding Judge

THE JUDICIAL COUNCIL OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Because of the COVID-19 pandemic, leading to health and safety concerns resulting in substantial operational impediments, and the proclamations of states of emergency by federal, state, and local officials, it was determined on March 16, March 18, March 27, June 4, July 29, August 28, and September 29, 2020, that the conditions described in Government Code section 68115 were met with regard to the Superior Court of California, County of Sonoma (Court). Based on those determinations, and pursuant to the Court's requests, seven prior emergency orders issued, authorizing the Court to implement certain relief under Government Code section 68115. Upon the renewed request of Presiding Judge Bradford DeMeo, it is determined that the conditions described in Government Code section 68115(a) continue to exist (Gov. Code, § 68115(c)), and it is ordered that the Superior Court of Sonoma County is authorized to do the following:

- Hold sessions anywhere in the county, including in correctional and juvenile detention facilities, from December 1, 2020, to January 31, 2021, inclusive (Gov. Code, § 68115(a)(1)); and
- Extend the time period provided in section 1382 of the Penal Code (section 1382) for the holding of a criminal trial by not more than 30 days, applicable only to cases in which the statutory deadline otherwise would expire from December 1, 2020, to January 31, 2021, inclusive (Gov. Code, § 68115(a)(10)).

Date: November 30, 2020


Hon. Tani G. Cantil-Sakauye
Chief Justice of California and
Chair of the Judicial Council