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**SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

Clerk of Superior Court of California,  
County of Sonoma  
By:   
Deputy Clerk

**IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF SONOMA**

**GENERAL ORDER RE: IMPLEMENTATION OF EMERGENCY RELIEF  
AUTHORIZED BY CHAIR OF JUDICIAL COUNCIL**

Exercising the authority granted under Government Code section 68115 and the July 29, 2020, Order (“Order”) of Chief Justice Tani G. Cantil-Sakauye, Chair of the Judicial Council of California this Court HEREBY FINDS AND ORDERS AS FOLLOWS:


1. 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 August 1, 2020, through September 30, 2020, inclusive (Gov. Code, § 68115(a)(1));

2. Any judge of the Court may extend by not more than 30 days the time period provided in section 1382 of the Penal Code for the holding of a criminal trial applicable only to cases in which the original or extended statutory deadline otherwise would expire from August 1, 2020 through August 31, 2020, inclusive (Govt. Code section 68115(a)(10); Executive Order N-38-20 (03-27-20)).

3. Under the authority granted to me by the Chief Justice of the California Supreme Court, and on a finding of good cause due to current safety concerns relating to the COVID-19 pandemic as it has continued to spread in Sonoma County, I hereby order that all criminal trials in which the original or extended statutory deadline otherwise would expire from August 1, 2020 through August 31, 2020, inclusive, are hereby continued for 30 days from the last day set pursuant to Penal Code § 1382 including all previous extensions.

THIS ORDER IS EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY.

Dated: July 29, 2020

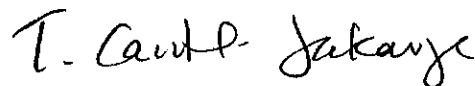
  
Bradford DeMeo, Presiding Judge

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, and June 4, 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 at the request of Presiding Judge Bradford DeMeo, four prior emergency orders issued, authorizing the Court to implement certain relief under Government Code section 68115. Upon the renewed request of Presiding Judge DeMeo, it is determined that the conditions described in Government Code section 68115(a) continue to exist (Gov. Code, § 68115(b)), and it is ordered that the Court is authorized to do the following:

- Hold sessions anywhere in the county, including in correctional and juvenile detention facilities, from August 1, 2020, to September 30, 2020, 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 original or previously extended statutory deadline otherwise would expire from August 1, 2020, to August 31, 2020, inclusive (Gov. Code, § 68115(a)(10); Executive Order N-38-20 (03-27-20)).\*

Date: July 29, 2020



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

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\* This authority supplements the authority to extend section 1382 deadlines previously granted in the March 23, March 30, and April 29, 2020 statewide emergency orders and in the June 4, 2020, emergency order specific to the Court. Accordingly, for any case in which the time to bring a defendant to trial previously was extended under one or more of those prior emergency orders, and the extended deadline falls within the above-specified time period, this order authorizes the Court to extend the previously extended deadline by up to an additional 30 days. For any case in which the initial section 1382 deadline falls within the above-specified time period and is not governed by a prior emergency order, this order authorizes the Court to extend the time to bring a defendant to trial by a total of up to 30 days.