

1 **SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA**
2 **IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF CONTRA COSTA**

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

6 Given the COVID-19 public health emergency, the Superior Court of Contra Costa
7 County (“Court”) previously requested emergency authorizations from Chief Justice Tani G.
8 Cantil-Sakauye, as Chair of the Judicial Council of California, pursuant to Government Code
9 section 68115. On March 13, 2020, the Chief Justice granted this request and issued an
10 emergency order, which this Court implemented on the same day, and which was effective
11 through April 1, 2020. At the Court’s request, the Chief Justice issued multiple further orders
12 permitting the Court to extend certain relief, which the Court implemented.

13 Because emergency conditions continue to exist, the Court renewed its request. Now,
14 exercising the authority granted under Government Code section 68115 and the further April 15,
15 2021, Order of the Chief Justice, this Court **HEREBY FINDS AND ORDERS AS FOLLOWS:**

- 16 1. The time period provided in section 1382 of the Penal Code for the holding of a
17 criminal trial is extended by not more than 30 days, applicable only to cases in which
18 the original or previously extended statutory deadline otherwise would expire from
19 April 17, 2021 through May 14, 2021, inclusive.
- 20 2. The time period provided in section 313 of the Welfare and Institutions Code within
21 which a minor taken into custody pending dependency proceedings must be released
22 from custody is extended to not more than five days, applicable only to minors for
23 whom the statutory deadline otherwise would expire from April 17, 2021 through
24 May 14, 2021, inclusive; and

1 3. The time period provided in section 315 of the Welfare and Institutions Code within
2 which a minor taken into custody pending dependency proceedings must be given a
3 detention hearing is extended to not more than five days, applicable only to minors for
4 whom the statutory deadline otherwise would expire from April 17, 2021 through
5 May 14, 2021, inclusive.

6 **THIS ORDER IS EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY.**

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8 Dated: April 15, 2021


9 Hon. Rebecca C. Hardie, Presiding Judge