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THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO

**IN RE: EXTENSION OF CRIMINAL
TRIALS AND MODIFICATIONS TO
PUBLIC ACCESS ORDER**

**GENERAL ORDER OF THE
PRESIDING DEPARTMENT**

ORDER NO. 061220-63

The COVID-19 pandemic has resulted in proclamations of states of emergency by federal, state and local officials. The associated health and safety concerns, along with the County of San Diego public health orders, have caused substantial operational impediments for the court.

Pursuant to Government Code section 68115, the June 4 and June 10, 2020 Orders of the Chief Justice, the June 9, 2020 San Diego County Order of the Health Officer & Emergency Regulations, the Court's inherent supervisory and administrative authority, as well as the Presiding Judge's duty to promote access to justice for all members of the public, taking into account the needs of the public and court as they relate to the efficient and effective management of the court (Cal. Rules of Court, rule 10.603) this Court **HEREBY FINDS AND ORDERS AS FOLLOWS:**

1. The Court extends the time period provided in Penal Code § 1382 for the holding of a criminal trial by thirty (30) days, applicable only to cases in which the original or previously-extended statutory deadline otherwise would expire from June 15, 2020, to July 17, 2020, inclusive.

1 2. General Order 052220-54, Paragraph 2, is hereby repealed and replaced with the
2 following, new Paragraph 2:

3 Until further notice, the Court will comply with the guidance from county, state and
4 federal health authorities and impose COVID-19 preventative control measures and
5 symptom screening, including, but not limited to, the following:

6 a. All persons, including court staff and judicial officers, who enter the courthouse
7 must have in their possession a face covering as described in California
8 Department of Public Health Face Coverings Guidance issued on April 1, 2020
9 (available at: [https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/Face-](https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/Face-Coverings-Guidance.aspx)
10 [Coverings-Guidance.aspx](https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/Face-Coverings-Guidance.aspx)), at all times while in the courthouse. "All persons"
11 is defined as persons who are two years old or older. (See June 9, 2020 County
12 of San Diego Order of the Health Officer and Emergency Regulations, at ¶ 9.)
13 The face coverings must be worn by all judicial officers and court employees
14 when they are dealing with members of the public and, conversely, they must
15 be worn by all members of the public when they are dealing with judicial
16 officers or court employees. The face coverings must also be worn at any time
17 while in the courthouse when it is difficult or not possible to maintain a six-foot
18 separation from each other. Persons with a medical or mental health condition
19 or developmental disability that prevents wearing a face covering will be
20 exempt from this requirement. Any non-exempt person without a face covering
21 may be denied entry to the courthouse or courtroom.

22 b. To be permitted into the courthouse, all persons, including court staff and
23 judicial officers, must submit to temperature screening. The temperature
24 screening is being coordinated with the San Diego County Sheriff's Department.
25 Temperature screening will be conducted Monday through Friday, with the

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1 hours varied depending on location. No individual will be permitted to enter the
2 courthouse with a temperature of 100 degrees or more.

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4 **THIS ORDER IS EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY AND MAY BE AMENDED AS**
5 **CIRCUMSTANCES REQUIRE.**

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8 DATED: June 12, 2020



9 **HON. LORNA A. ALKSNE**
10 **PRESIDING JUDGE**