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Clark of the Superior Court

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By: A. Husted, Deputy

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

**IN RE: EXTENSION OF TIME FOR  
CRIMINAL TRIALS**

**GENERAL ORDER OF THE  
PRESIDING DEPARTMENT**

**ORDER NO. 020321-56**

As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, the Governor of California declared a state of emergency in this state. The President of the United States has also declared a national emergency. The health and safety concerns associated with the pandemic, along with the State of California and County of San Diego public health orders issued in response thereto, have caused substantial operational impediments for the court.

Pursuant to Government Code § 68115; the February 3, 2021, Order of the Chief Justice; the court's inherent supervisory and administrative authority; and the Presiding Judge's duty to take 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), the court **HEREBY FINDS AND ORDERS AS FOLLOWS:**

The court extends the time period provided in Penal Code § 1382 for the holding of a criminal trial by 30 days, applicable only to cases in which the original or previously extended statutory deadline otherwise would expire from February 9, 2021, to March 22, 2021, inclusive. This order supplements the extensions of the Penal Code § 1382 deadlines previously provided by General Orders of the Presiding Department, Order Numbers 040320-39, 043020-47, 061220-63,

1 070120-71, 081020-82, 090820-87, 100720-95, 110520-101, 120820-109, 010121-48, and  
2 010821-52. Accordingly, for any case in which the time to bring a defendant to trial was previously  
3 extended under one or more of those prior General Orders, and the extended deadline falls within  
4 the above-specified time period, the court extends the previously extended deadline by an  
5 additional 30 days. For any case in which the initial Penal Code § 1382 deadline falls during the  
6 above-specified time period, the court extends the time to bring a defendant to trial by a total of  
7 30 days.

8 THIS ORDER IS EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY.

9 IT IS SO ORDERED.

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11 DATED: February 3, 2021



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13 **HON. LORNA A. ALKSNE**  
14 **PRESIDING JUDGE**  
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