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SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER OF THE
PRESIDING JUDGE RE COVID-19
PANDEMIC

GENERAL ORDER

Due to the COVID-19 epidemic resulting in Governor Newsom’s Declaration of a State of Emergency; the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors and the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health declaring a local and public health emergency in response to the increased spread of COVID-19 across the county of Los Angeles; President Donald Trump declaring a national emergency over the outbreak; and the directive from those government officials to ensure and facilitate social distancing, and to protect the health and safety of the public and court personnel, and under the authority granted under Government Code section 68115 and the March 16, 2020 order of Chief Justice Tani G. Cantil-Sakauye, Chair of the Judicial Council of California, issued in response to the March 16, 2020 request for an emergency order made by the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles,

This court **HEREBY FINDS AND ORDERS AS FOLLOWS:**

1. General Order 4, issued on March 17, 2020, is amended retroactively to **delete** the following subdivisions:
Paragraph 4, subdivision e (Contempt Proceedings in Family Law Where Custody is at Issue).

1 **Paragraph 4, subdivisions aa and bb** (Traffic Arraignments and Traffic Trials,
2 respectively).

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4 2. General Order 4, issued on March 17, 2020, is amended retroactively **to add the**
5 following subdivisions:

6 **Paragraph 4, subdivision ff** -- Emergency Protective Orders

7 **Paragraph 4, subdivision gg** -- Proceeding under the Lanterman-Petris-Short (“LPS”)
8 Act

9 **Paragraph 4, subdivision hh** -- Judicial Commitments for Dangerous Persons based
10 on Mental Health Conditions

11 **Paragraph 4, subdivision ii** -- Parole and post-release community supervision
12 revocation hearings

13 **Paragraph 4, subdivision jj** -- Juvenile Arraignment/Detention Hearings:
14 Adjudication and Disposition

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16 3. General Order 4, issued on March 17, 2020, is amended retroactively **to add the**
17 following subdivision:

18 **Paragraph 6, subdivision k** -- The duration of any emergency protective order that
19 would otherwise expire because the emergency condition requiring all courthouses be
20 closed to the public prevented the party from obtaining a temporary restraining order in
21 a timely manner is extended to **March 20, 2020**.

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- 1 4. General Order 4, issued on March 17, 2020, is amended retroactively **to add** the
2 following information:

3 **Paragraph 9 now reads:** Courthouses providing time-sensitive, essential services will
4 be open beginning on March 20, 2020 at 8:30 a.m. All courthouses will be open
5 beginning on March 20, 2020 at 8:30 a.m., except for Beverly Hills and Catalina. This
6 schedule will be amended as circumstances change.

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8 5. General Order 4, issued on March 17, 2020, is amended retroactively **to add** the
9 following information:

10 **Paragraph 11 now reads:** In light of Governor Newsom's Executive Order urging
11 emergency action to promote housing stability and security, the moratoriums on
12 evictions imposed in both the County of Los Angeles and the City of Los Angeles, and
13 the court's inability to hold unlawful detainer related hearings throughout the
14 emergency period, the court finds good cause to continue all unlawful detainer trials
15 without a determination pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure section 1170.5(c).

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17 **THIS ORDER IS EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY AND WILL REMAIN IN EFFECT**
18 **UNTIL APRIL 16, 2020 AND MAY BE AMENDED AS CIRCUMSTANCES REQUIRE.**

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21 DATED: March 19, 2020



22 *Kevin C. Brazile*
23 KEVIN C. BRAZILE
24 Presiding Judge
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