COVID-19 EMERGENCY

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

ORDER RELEASING PRETRIAL
DEFENDANTS IN COUNTY JAIL
PURSUANT TO THE STATEWIDE
EMERGENCY BAIL SCHEDULE

STANDING ORDER OF THE
SUPERVISING JUDGE OF THE
CRIMINAL DIVISION

COVID-19 is a pandemic affecting society globally. In the United States, and in California, the President of the United States, the Governor of the State of California, and the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles, have all declared states of emergency.

On March 16, 2020, the Los Angeles Superior Court (Court), pursuant to Government Code section 68115, obtained an emergency order from the Chief Justice of the California Supreme Court (Chief). From March 17, 2020 to April 16, 2020, the Court will operate under a General Order to process only essential services.

On April 6, 2020, the Judicial Council of the State of California promulgated emergency rules to be used during the COVID-19 emergency. Rule 4 established an Emergency Bail Schedule which takes effect 5 p.m. April 13, 2020.

The Emergency Bail Schedule created two compartments of cases – those with \$0 bail, and 13 exceptions where bail is to be set according to the County's existing bail schedule. As to application, Rule 4 (b) states as follows:

"No later than 5 p.m. on April 13, 2020, each superior court must apply the statewide Emergency Bail Schedule:

- (1) To every accused person arrested and in pretrial custody.
- (2) To every accused person held in pretrial custody."

Rule 4 (b) applies both prospectively and retroactively. As to retroactive application for those already in custody at the Los Angeles County Jail, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office (DA), along with the Los Angeles County Public Defender's Office (PD), the Los Angeles County Alternate Public Defender's Office (APD), and the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department (Sheriff), have collaborated on an efficient process for the release of pretrial county jail inmates through a stipulation process.

To save time and promote social distancing, the parties have stipulated to the following:

All list of cases submitted for release have been vetted by the DA, PD and APD where the prosecution and defense have agreed that the bail amount for the charged on which the defendant is custody is at \$0 bail.

Based upon the stipulation submitted to the Court, the Court hereby makes the following order:

All defendants on the stipulated list (Attachment A) provided are released on their own recognizance; and

The defendants are ordered to return to Court on the date specified on the promise to appear document.

IT IS SO ORDERED

Date: <u>5/23/</u>20



JUDGE SAM OHTA SUPERVISING JUDGE CRIMINAL DIVISION

ATTACHMENT "A" 05/28/2020 Emergency Bail Schedule - \$0 Bail

BOOKING NO	NAME (LAST, FIRST)	CASE NO.
•	Contreras, Steven	VA151346
	Keene, Joseph	MA076837
		MA076835