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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

As Los Angeles County emerges from the most recent surge in COVID-19 cases and public health authorities relax mandates, the Superior Court of Los Angeles County continues to balance its obligation to maintain access to justice with its commitment to safeguard the well-being of court users during the COVID-19 pandemic. To that end, the **COURT HEREBY ORDERS AS FOLLOWS:**

1. Clerk's Office and Self-Help Center Appointments:

In the interest of safeguarding the well-being of court users, persons seeking services from the Clerk's Office, court support services, and/or the Self-Help Centers are encouraged to schedule appointments. For telephone or video assistance, or [to schedule an appointment](#), the telephone number for each courthouse is listed at the courthouse entry and posted on the Court's website, www.lacourt.org.

2. Face Coverings:

Until April 4, 2022, all persons – regardless of vaccination status – are required to wear face coverings over their nose and mouth while in a courthouse. [General Order 2021-GEN-023-00](#). Persons whose disabilities preclude them from wearing face coverings compliant with the Guidance, are urged to seek an accommodation under [Rule 1.100](#) of the California Rules of Court in advance of their court appearance or appointment.

Thereafter, use of face coverings in courthouses is strongly encouraged.

3. Judicial Emergency Order Continuances for Juvenile Dependency

- i. The Court extends the time periods provided in section 313 of the Welfare and Institutions Code within which a minor taken into custody pending dependency proceedings must be released from custody to not more than seven (7) days, applicable only to minors for whom the statutory deadline would otherwise expire from **March 26, 2022, to April 22, 2022**, inclusive.
- ii. The Court extends the time periods provided in section 315 of the Welfare and Institutions Code within which a minor taken into custody pending dependency proceedings must be given a detention hearing to not more than seven (7) days, applicable only to minors for whom the statutory deadline would otherwise expire from **March 26, 2022, to April 22, 2022**, inclusive.

THIS ORDER IS EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY AND WILL REMAIN IN EFFECT UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE, OR UNTIL ITS PROVISIONS EXPIRE BY THEIR TERMS, ARE RESCINDED, AMENDED, OR ARE SUPERSEDED BY SUBSEQUENT ORDERS. THIS ORDER MAY BE AMENDED AS CIRCUMSTANCES REQUIRE. GOOD CAUSE APPEARING THEREFOR, IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED: March 25, 2022



Eric C. Taylor

 ERIC C. TAYLOR
 Presiding Judge