

1                                    **SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA**  
2                                    **IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF CONTRA COSTA**

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4                                    **GENERAL ORDER RE: IMPLEMENTATION OF EMERGENCY RELIEF**  
5                                    **AUTHORIZED BY CHAIR OF JUDICIAL COUNCIL**

6                                    Given the COVID-19 public health emergency, the Superior Court of Contra Costa  
7 County (“Court”) previously requested emergency authorizations from Chief Justice Tani G.  
8 Cantil-Sakauye, as Chair of the Judicial Council of California, pursuant to Government Code  
9 section 68115. On March 13, 2020, the Chief Justice granted this request and issued an  
10 emergency order, which this Court implemented on the same day, and which was effective  
11 through April 1, 2020. At the Court’s request, the Chief Justice issued multiple further orders  
12 permitting the Court to extend certain relief, which the Court implemented.

13                                    Because emergency conditions continue to exist, the Court renewed its request. Now,  
14 exercising the authority granted under Government Code section 68115 and the further October  
15 26, 2020, Order of the Chief Justice, this Court **HEREBY FINDS AND ORDERS AS**  
16 **FOLLOWS:**

- 17                                    1. The time period provided in section 313 of the Welfare and Institutions Code within  
18                                    which a minor taken into custody pending dependency proceedings must be released  
19                                    from custody is extended to not more than five days, applicable only to minors for  
20                                    whom the statutory deadline otherwise would expire from October 26, 2020, through  
21                                    November 24, 2020, inclusive; and
- 22                                    2. The time period provided in section 315 of the Welfare and Institutions Code within  
23                                    which a minor taken into custody pending dependency proceedings must be given a  
24                                    detention hearing is extended to not more than five days, applicable only to minors for  
25                                    whom the statutory deadline otherwise would expire from October 26, 2020, through  
26                                    November 24, 2020, inclusive.

**THIS ORDER IS EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY.**



Dated: October 26, 2020

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Hon. Barry Baskin, Presiding Judge

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