

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

14 Because emergency conditions continue to exist, the Court renewed its request. Now,  
15 exercising the authority granted under Government Code section 68115 and the further March  
16 18, 2021, Order of the Chief Justice, this Court **HEREBY FINDS AND ORDERS AS**

17 **FOLLOWS:**

- 18 1. The time period provided in section 313 of the Welfare and Institutions Code within  
19 which a minor taken into custody pending dependency proceedings must be released  
20 from custody is extended to not more than five days, applicable only to minors for  
21 whom the statutory deadline otherwise would expire from March 20, 2021, through  
22 April 16, 2021, inclusive; and
- 23 2. The time period provided in section 315 of the Welfare and Institutions Code within  
24 which a minor taken into custody pending dependency proceedings must be given a  
25 detention hearing is extended to not more than five days, applicable only to minors for  
26 whom the statutory deadline otherwise would expire from March 20, 2021, through  
27 April 16, 2021, inclusive.  
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1       **THIS ORDER IS EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY.**

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Hon. Rebecca C. Hardie, Presiding Judge