

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  
15 December 2, 2021, Order of the Chief Justice, this Court **HEREBY FINDS AND ORDERS AS**  
16 **FOLLOWS:**

- 17                                   1. The time period provided in section 1382 of the Penal Code for the holding of a  
18                                   criminal trial is extended by not more than 30 days, applicable only to cases in which  
19                                   the original or previously extended statutory deadline otherwise would expire from  
20                                   December 3, 2021, through December 31, 2021, inclusive; and
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22                                   which a minor taken into custody pending dependency proceedings must be released  
23                                   from custody is extended to not more than five days, applicable only to minors for  
24                                   whom the statutory deadline otherwise would expire from December 3, 2021, through  
25                                   December 31, 2021; and
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27                                   which a minor taken into custody pending dependency proceedings must be given a  
28                                   detention hearing is extended to not more than five days, applicable only to minors for

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whom the statutory deadline otherwise would expire from December 3, 2021, through  
December 31, 2021, inclusive.

**THIS ORDER IS EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY.**



Dated: December 2, 2021

Hon. Rebecca C. Hardie, Presiding Judge