

1 SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
2 IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF BUTTE

3 GENERAL ORDER RE: IMPLEMENTATION OF EMERGENCY RELIEF  
4 AUTHORIZED PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 68115 BY CHAIR  
OF JUDICIAL COUNCIL

5 Exercising the authority granted under Governor Newsom’s Executive Order N-38-20, and  
6 under Government Code section 68115, and to implement the March 30, 2020 Order of Chief  
7 Justice Tani G. Cantil-Sakauye, Chair of the Judicial Council of California, this Court does adopt  
8 the findings and orders of the Chief Justice and, incorporating the same herein, does HEREBY  
9 FIND, DECLARE, and ORDER:

10 A. Extension of Time Periods

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- 12 1. That the time period provided in section 859b of the Penal Code for the holding of a  
13 preliminary examination and the defendant’s right to release is extended from 10 court  
14 days to not more than 30 court days.
  - 15 2. That the time period provided in section 825 of the Penal Code within which a  
16 defendant charged with a felony offense must be taken before a magistrate is extended  
17 from 48 hours to not more than 7 days.
  - 18 3. That the time period provided in section 1382 of the Penal Code for the holding of a  
19 criminal trial is extended by no more than 60 days from the last date on which the  
20 statutory deadline otherwise would have expired.
  - 21 4. That the time periods provided in sections 583.310 and 583.320 of the Code of Civil  
22 Procedure to bring an action to trial are extended by not more than 60 days. (Gov. Code,  
23 § 68115(a)(6)).
  - 24 5. That these extensions are in addition to any relief for this court previously authorized  
25 by the Chief Justice as emergency orders, implemented by this court on March 18, 2020  
26 and March 23, 2020;

27 AND DOES FURTHER INCORPORATE BY REFERENCE THE DIRECTION GIVEN TO  
28 THIS COURT AS FOLLOWS:

- B. That the 60- day continuance of jury trials, authorized by the order of the Chief Justice on  
March 23, 2020, is to be calculated from the date for which the trial was set or extended as  
provided in A.3 or A.4 above, whichever is longer; and

1 C. That any rule in California Rules of Court that would prevent the court from using  
2 technology to conduct judicial proceedings and court operations remotely, is suspended in  
3 order to protect the health and safety of the public, court personnel, judicial officers,  
4 litigants and witnesses.

5 IT IS SO ORDERED, EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY. Any prior orders not in conflict  
6 herein remain. This Order shall remain in effect until such time as the Chief Justice modifies or  
7 rescinds her authorization for this Order or until otherwise modified by this Court.

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9 Dated: 4/1/2020

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10 Hon. Clare Keithley, Presiding Judge  
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