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SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF PLACER

STANDING ORDER OF THE PLACER
COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT

No.: 20-020
STANDING ORDER RE COVID-19
PANDEMIC: RESUMPTION OF
EMERGENCY ORDERS FOR
TRAFFIC AND NON-TRAFFIC
INFRACTION AND TRAFFIC
MISDEMEANOR HEARINGS

The World Health Organization, the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the State of California, and Placer County have recognized that we currently face a life-threatening pandemic caused by the COVID-19 virus. As of this date, there is no known cure, vaccination, or consistently effective treatment. In response to the spread of COVID-19, states of emergency have been declared nationally and in most States.

Placer County health officials followed state and federal guidance by issuing recommendations and mandates intended to decrease the spread of the virus. This Placer County Superior Court previously issued temporary emergency orders with respect to criminal matters in response to the declarations of a state of emergency, Executive Orders by the Governor of

1 the State of California, and orders and directives from the Chief Justice of
2 the State of California, which continued many criminal matters, including
3 hearings for traffic and non-traffic infraction and traffic misdemeanors, to
4 future dates.

5 The court resumed hearing traffic and non-traffic infraction and traffic
6 misdemeanor cases on June 15, 2020. The number of COVID-19 cases in
7 Placer County has increased substantially since that time. The County has
8 surpassed 100 cases per 100,000 residents, and has been placed on the
9 Governor’s COVID-19 “watch list” of counties with rising infection and
10 hospitalization rates, which may result in a roll-back of the county’s
11 reopening.

12 In order to proactively support the efforts of State and local public
13 health officials, while balancing the need for continuous operation of the
14 court; and in light of (1) declarations of a state of emergency by federal,
15 state, and local governments due to the COVID-19 / novel coronavirus global
16 pandemic; (2) Executive Orders by the Governor of the State of California;
17 (3) orders and directives of the Chief Justice of the State of California; and
18 under the authority of Code of Civil Procedure section 128 and California
19 Rules of Court, rule 10.603, the court issues the following temporary
20 standing order:

- 21 • The court will continue all non-traffic infraction, traffic infraction,
22 and direct filed misdemeanor traffic pre and post-trial hearings set
23 in Department 30 and Department 14, **not including driving**
24 **under the influence cases**, set between July 13, 2020, and
25 August 28, 2020, to an available date at least sixteen weeks from
26 the currently scheduled court date.
- 27 • The court will continue all non-traffic infraction and traffic infraction
28 trials set between July 13, 2020, and August 28, 2020, to an

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available date at least eight weeks from the currently scheduled court date.

- For all of the foregoing cases, it is hereby ordered that defendants shall appear at the continued hearing date.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED: 7/9/2020



HONORABLE ALAN V. PINESCHI
Presiding Judge of the Superior Court