

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

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 Government Code section 68115 and Governor
6 Newsom's Executive Order N-38-20 and the March 30, 2020 statewide order and the February 9,
7 2021 Order ("Order") of Chief Justice Tani G. Cantil-Sakauye, Chair of the Judicial Council of
8 California, issued in response to the February 5, 2021 request for an emergency order made by
9 the Superior Court of Santa Barbara County ("Court"), this Court HEREBY FINDS AND
10 ORDERS AS FOLLOWS:

11 1. Any Judge of the Court may extend the time period provided in section 859b of
12 the Penal Code for the holding of a preliminary hearing examination and the defendant's right to
13 release from 10 court days to not more than 30 court days;


14 2. Any Judge of the Court may extend the time period provided in section 1382 of
15 the Penal Code for the holding of a criminal trial by not more than an additional 30 days,
16 applicable only to cases in which the original or previously extended statutory deadline
17 otherwise would expire from February 15, 2021, through March 16, 2021, inclusive (Gov. Code,
18 §68116(1)(10): Executive Order N-38-20 (03-27-20)

19 3. The Court will collaborate with local justice partners to conduct a trial at an
20 earlier date, if a court may do so in compliance with applicable health and safety laws,
21 regulations, and orders, including the use of remote technology.

22 4. Hold sessions anywhere in the county, including in correctional and juvenile
23 detention facilities, from February 15, 2021 to March 16, 2021.

24 THIS ORDER IS EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY.

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26 Dated: February 11, 2021

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Gustavo E. Lavayen
Presiding Judge