

THE JUDICIAL COUNCIL OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Because of the COVID-19 pandemic, leading to health and safety concerns resulting in substantial operational impediments, and the proclamations of a states of emergency by federal, state, and local officials, it was determined that the conditions described in Government Code section 68115(a) were met with regard to the Superior Court of Orange County (Court) as of March 16, 2020. At the request of Presiding Judge Kirk Nakamura, an Order issued on that date authorizing the Court to implement certain relief authorized by section 68115(a). Upon, the renewed request of Presiding Judge Nakamura, it is determined that the conditions described in section 68115(a) continue to exist (Gov. Code, § 68115(b)), and it is ordered that the Court is authorized to do the following:

- Declare that any dates from March 30, 2020, to April 24, 2020, inclusive, be deemed holidays for purposes of computing the time for filing papers with the court under Code of Civil Procedure sections 12 and 12a. (Gov. Code, § 68115(a)(4).)
- Declare that any dates from March 30, 2020, to April 24, 2020, inclusive, be deemed holidays for purposes of computing the time (Gov. Code, § 68115(a)(5)) under:
 - Penal Code section 825 (time to bring criminal defendant before magistrate after arrest);
 - Welfare and Institutions Code section 313 (time to release minor taken into custody pending dependency proceedings);
 - Welfare and Institutions Code section 315 (time to hold detention hearing for minor taken into custody pending dependency proceedings);
 - Welfare and Institutions Code section 334 (time to hold hearing on dependency petition);
 - Welfare and Institutions Code section 631 (time to release minor taken into custody pending wardship proceedings);
 - Welfare and Institutions Code section 632 (time to hold detention hearing for minor taken into custody pending wardship proceedings);
 - Welfare and Institutions Code section 637 (time to hold detention rehearing in wardship proceedings if parent/guardian files

affidavit asserting lack of notice of hearing or minor requests evidence of prima facie case); and

- Welfare and Institutions Code section 657 (time to hear wardship petition).
- Extend the time periods provided in sections 583.310 and 583.320 of the Code of Civil Procedure to bring an action to trial by not more than 58 days in cases in which the statutory deadline otherwise would expire from March 30, 2020, to April 24, 2020, inclusive. (Gov. Code, § 68115(a)(6).)
- Extend by not more than 30 days the duration of any temporary restraining order that would otherwise expire from March 30, 2020, to April 24, 2020, inclusive, because the emergency condition described herein prevented the court from conducting proceedings to determine whether a permanent order should be entered. (Gov. Code, § 68115(a)(7).)
- Extend the time period provided in section 859b of the Penal Code for the holding of a preliminary examination from 10 court days to not more than 15 court days, applicable only to cases in which the statutory deadline otherwise would expire from March 30, 2020, to April 24, 2020, inclusive. (Gov. Code, § 68115(a)(9).)
- Extend the time period provided in section 1382 of the Penal Code for the holding of a criminal trial by not more than 58 days in cases in which the statutory deadline otherwise would expire from March 30, 2020, to April 24, 2020, inclusive. (Gov. Code, § 68115(a)(10).)
- Extend the time period provided in section 825 of the Penal Code within which a defendant charged with a felony offense must be taken before a magistrate from 48 hours to not more than 7 days, applicable only to cases in which the statutory deadline otherwise would expire from March 30, 2020, to April 24, 2020, inclusive. (Gov. Code, § 68115(a)(8).)
- Extend the time period provided in section 313 of the Welfare and Institutions Code within which a minor taken into custody pending dependency proceedings must be released from custody to not more than seven (7) days. (Gov. Code, § 68115(a)(11).) This applies only to minors for whom the statutory deadline otherwise would expire from March 30, 2020, to April 24, 2020, inclusive.

- Extend the time period provided in section 315 of the Welfare and Institutions Code within which a minor taken into custody pending dependency proceedings must be given a detention hearing to not more than seven (7) days. (Gov. Code, § 68115(a)(11).) This applies only to minors for whom the statutory deadline otherwise would expire from March 30, 2020, to April 24, 2020, inclusive.
- Extend the time periods provided in sections 632 and 637 of the Welfare and Institutions Code within which a minor taken into custody pending wardship proceedings and charged with a felony offense must be given a detention hearing or rehearing to not more than seven (7) days. (Gov. Code, § 68115(a)(11).) This applies only to minors for whom the statutory deadline otherwise would expire from March 30, 2020, to April 24, 2020, inclusive.
- Extend the time period provided in section 334 of the Welfare and Institutions Code within which a hearing on a juvenile dependency petition must be held by not more than fifteen (15) days. (Gov. Code, § 68115(a)(12).) This applies only to minors for whom the statutory deadline otherwise would expire from March 30, 2020, to April 24, 2020.
- Extend the time period provided in section 657 of the Welfare and Institutions Code within which a hearing on a wardship petition for a minor charged with a felony offense must be held by not more than fifteen (15) days. (Gov. Code, § 68115(a)(12).) This applies only to minors for whom the statutory deadline otherwise would expire from March 30, 2020, to April 24, 2020, inclusive.

Date: March 26, 2020



Hon. Tani G. Cantil-Sakauye
Chief Justice of California and
Chair of the Judicial Council

