

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 states of emergency by federal, state, and local officials, it was determined on March 17 and 19, April 1 and 30, and June 18, 2020, that the conditions described in Government Code section 68115 were met with regard to the Superior Court of California, County of Fresno (Court). Based on those determinations, and at the request of Presiding Judge Arlan L. Harrell, five prior emergency orders issued, authorizing the Court to implement certain relief under Government Code section 68115. Upon the renewed request of Presiding Judge Harrell, it is determined that the conditions described in Government Code section 68115(a) continue to exist (Gov. Code, § 68115(b)), and it is ordered that the Court is authorized to do the following:

- 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 July 20, 2020, to August 14, 2020, inclusive (Gov. Code, § 68115(a)(8)); and
- Extend the time period provided in section 1382 of the Penal Code for the holding of a criminal trial by not more than 30 days, applicable only to cases in which the original or previously extended statutory deadline otherwise would expire from July 15, 2020, to September 14, 2020, inclusive (Gov. Code, § 68115(a)(10); Executive Order N-38-20 (03-27-20)).

Date: July 16, 2020



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