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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SOLANO
DEPARTMENT EIGHT

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Case No.: MISC 002723

In Re: Civil Matters

**SECOND AMENDED STANDING
ORDER REGARDING CIVIL
MATTERS DURING EMERGENCY
OPERATIONS (EFFECTIVE MAY 18,
2020)**

THE COURT FINDS AS FOLLOWS:

1. On February 27, 2020, the County of Solano proclaimed a local emergency to exist due to the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) pursuant to Government Code, §§ 8630 et seq. On March 4, 2020, California Governor Newsom proclaimed a state of emergency to exist due to COVID-19 pursuant to Government Code, §§ 8550 et seq. On March 13, 2020, President Trump proclaimed a national state of emergency to exist due to COVID-19.

2. On March 18, 2020, the Solano County Health Officer issued an order effective through April 7, 2020, directing all individuals living in Solano County to shelter at their place of residence except to provide or receive certain essential services or engage in certain essential activities on behalf of businesses and governmental agencies. The order further directed businesses and governmental agencies to cease non-essential activities at places within Solano

1 County and to cease non-essential gatherings. That order has been extended twice. A
2 modified order was issued May 7, 2020.

3 3. On March 19, 2020, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N-33-20 ordering all
4 individuals living in the State of California to stay at home or their place of residence except as
5 needed to maintain continuity of operations of the federal critical infrastructure sectors.
6 Executive Order N-33-20 is in effect until further notice.

7 4. On March 17, 30 and April 29, 2020, acting as the Chair of the Judicial Council, Chief
8 Justice Tani G. Cantil-Sakaue granted the application for emergency orders sought by the
9 Solano County Superior Court pursuant to Government Code, § 68115. The current order
10 authorizes emergency operations through May 28, 2020. Pursuant to Government Code,
11 §68115(a)(4), due to the existence of an emergency condition that substantially interferes with
12 the public's ability to file papers in court, the days are deemed "holidays" for the purpose of
13 computing time for filing papers with the court under sections 12 and 12a of the Code of Civil
14 Procedure.

15 5. On March 17, April 3 and 29, 2020, Solano County Superior Court Presiding Judge
16 Donna Stashyn issued a General Order re: Implementation of Emergency Relief authorizing
17 implementation of the March 17, 2020 Emergency Order by individual judicial officers.
18 Because of a change in the status of the orders, certain modifications to the implementation of
19 emergency operations in the civil division are appropriate.
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21 6. On March 23 and 30 and April 29, 2020, the Chief Justice issued statewide emergency
22 orders. Provisions of these orders include continuance of jury trials and the delegation of
23 authority to trial courts to establish rules necessary to address the impact of the COVID-19
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1 pandemic to take effect immediately. In response to the pandemic, the Judicial Council issued
2 Emergency Rules 1-13 and Circulating Orders CO-20-06 and CO-20-07.

3 **BASED UPON THE ABOVE FINDINGS, IT IS ORDERED:**

4 1. Protection of public health and safety in connection with the COVID-19 pandemic
5 has necessitated the reduction in court operations.

6 2. All civil jury trials between May 1 and July 1, 2020 are continued.

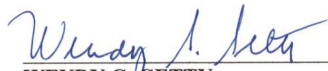
7 3. All other civil matters will remain as currently calendared. While the physical
8 courtrooms will be open, members of the public will be subject to social-distancing
9 requirements. Attorneys, parties and interested persons attending civil proceedings are
10 strongly encouraged to appear remotely via Zoom and/or the Zoom telephone conference line
11 or CourtCall for all hearings. Based upon resources, some proceedings may only proceed
12 utilizing Zoom and/or the Zoom telephone conference line. Court trials may or may not be
13 conducted via Zoom in the discretion of the judicial officer and based upon the nature of the
14 case or trial and court resources.

15 4. For information on how remote court is administered and requirements of
16 participants, please refer to the Standing Order regarding Remote Proceedings for additional
17 information.

18 5. Defaults and default judgments in civil matters will be processed commencing
19 June 2, 2020.

20 **IT IS SO ORDERED.**

21 Dated: May 15, 2020

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23 **WENDY G. GETTY**
24 **Supervising Civil Judge**
25 **Solano County Superior Court**