

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

Kim M. Bartleson, CCE Court Executive Officer/ Jury Commissioner Joyce D. Hinrichs Presiding Judge

April 15, 2020

*****IMMEDIATE PRESS RELEASE*****

Presiding Judge Joyce D. Hinrichs has issued an implementation order pursuant to the emergency powers granted to her today by Chief Justice Tani Cantil-Sakauye under Government Code Section 68115. Both orders referenced are attached.

Judge Hinrichs stated, "This order addresses two specific areas, civil and restraining order related filings, which were not provided for in the March 30, 2020 and April 6, 2020 orders approved by the Judicial Council and issued by the Chief Justice."

The Court continues to operate with limited staff on site due to social distancing and other COVID-19 restrictions and continues to provide limited public services. Additionally, daily operations are being reviewed to ascertain possible expansion of virtual court hearings. Please, check the Court's website for updated information at <u>www.humboldt.courts.ca.gov</u>.

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SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

GENERAL ORDER RE: IMPLEMENTATION OF EMERGENCY RELIEF AUTHORIZED PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 68115 BY CHAIR OF JUDICIAL COUNCIL

Exercising the authority granted under Government Code section 68115 and the April 15, 2020 Order ("Order") of Chief Justice Tani G. Cantil-Sakauye, Chair of the Judicial Council of California, issued in response to the April 14, 2020 request for an emergency order made by the Superior Court of Humboldt County ("Court"), this Court HEREBY FINDS AND ORDERS AS FOLLOWS:

1. For purposes of computing time for filing papers with the Court under Code of Civil Procedure sections 12 and 12a, April 16, 2020, to May 15, 2020, inclusive, are deemed holidays because the emergency conditions described in the Order have substantially interfered with the public's ability to file papers in a court facility on those dates (Gov. Code, § 68115(a)(4));

2. Any judge of the Court may extend by not more than 33 days the duration of any temporary restraining order that would otherwise expire from April 14, 2020, to May 15, 2020, inclusive, because the emergency condition described in the Order prevented the Court from conducting proceedings to determine whether a permanent order should be entered (Gov. Code, § 68115(a)(7));

THIS ORDER IS EFFECTIVE on April 16, 2020.

Dated: April 15, 2020

JOYCE D. HINRICHS, Presiding Judge Superior Court of California County of Humboldt

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 that the conditions described in Government Code section 68115(a) were met with regard to the Superior Court of Humboldt County (Court) as of March 17, 2020. At the request of Presiding Judge Joyce Hinrichs, an order issued on that date authorizing the Court to implement certain relief authorized by Government Code section 68115(a). Upon the renewed request of Presiding Judge Hinrichs, 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 from April 16, 2020, through May 15, 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, if the above-described emergency conditions substantially interfere with the public's ability to file papers in a Court facility on those dates (Gov. Code, § 68115(a)(4));
- Extend by not more than 33 days the duration of any temporary restraining order that would otherwise expire from April 14, 2020, through May 15, 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)).

Date: April 15, 2020

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