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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF FRESNO  
CENTRAL DIVISION

ORDER OF THE PRESIDING JUDGE RE ) GENERAL ORDER  
CIVIL HEARING AND TRIAL DATES )  
DUE TO COVID-19 PANDEMIC )  
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Due to the health concerns presented by the coronavirus and its associated disease COVID-19, and the Emergency Order of the Presiding Judge of the Fresno Superior Court and the Statewide Order of the Chief Justice of California,

THIS COURT HEREBY AUTHORIZES THE FOLLOWING:

April 6, 2020 until May 1, 2020, inclusive, is declared a Court holiday for the purposes of computing the time for filing papers with the Court under Sections 12 and 12a of the Code of Civil Procedure.

With very limited exceptions as set out in Order from Presiding Judge dated April 3, 2020 and posted on the Court's website, civil matters will not be heard from April 6, 2020 until May 1, 2020, inclusive.

1 All clerk's offices in the B.F. Sisk Courthouse will be  
2 closed. Mandatory e-filing remains in place. Parties may continue  
3 to electronically file documents, however, most papers will not be  
4 processed by the Court until such time as the holiday period set  
5 out above expires. Parties who are not required to e-file are  
6 strongly encouraged to voluntarily do so in order to minimize the  
7 health risks associated with traveling to the Court. A drop box  
8 has been located outside the B.F. Sisk Courthouse and will be  
9 available for filing papers Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m.  
10 until 4:00 p.m.

11 All Civil Unlimited Mandatory Settlement Conferences, Trial  
12 Readiness Hearings and trials (jury and court) scheduled to occur  
13 from Monday, March 23, 2020 through Tuesday, May 26, 2020,  
14 inclusive, will be rescheduled to occur on later dates in 2020 and  
15 2021. All of these cases have been re-noticed for Trial Setting  
16 Conferences to be held in Department 502 on Monday, May 11, 2020,  
17 and Tuesday, May 12, 2020. The new Settlement Conference, Trial  
18 Readiness and trial dates will be assigned at that time based upon  
19 a case-by-case assessment. All deadlines which are dictated by the  
20 trial date will be based upon the continued new trial date,  
21 including but not limited to, Discovery Act cutoffs and summary  
22 judgment/summary adjudication cut offs.

23 All Case Management Conferences scheduled to occur from April  
24 6, 2020 through May 1, 2020, inclusive, will be continued. Notices  
25 of the new date will be sent in each case. Please also check  
26 Odyssey for information on your case.

27 Civil Law and Motion matters will be continued for four weeks  
28 on a rolling basis. Notices of the new date will be sent in each

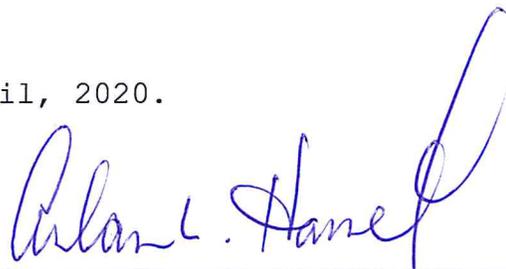
1 case. Please also check Odyssey for information on your case.  
2 New dates will not be provided for petitions for compromise set  
3 from April 6, 2020 through May 1, 2020, inclusive. Parties with a  
4 petition for compromise set should continue to file the petitions  
5 and orders. Judges will review these matters and issue rulings.  
6 Rulings will be served via mail on the parties and will be entered  
7 into Odyssey. Please also check Odyssey for information on your  
8 case.

9 Ex parte requests will be addressed on a case-by-case basis.  
10 The Court will review ex parte requests to determine if an  
11 emergency exists. If the Court determines that the ex parte  
12 request involves a true emergency the Court will authorize the  
13 hearing to go forward via CourtCall.

14 Fresno Superior Court Local Rule 2.1.17 was amended April 6,  
15 2020. The amended rule will be posted on the Court's website.

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17 THIS ORDER IS EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY.

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19 DATED this 6<sup>TH</sup> day of April, 2020.

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23 HONORABLE ARLAN L. HARRELL  
24 PRESIDING JUDGE FRESNO SUPERIOR COURT