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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF FRESNO
CENTRAL DIVISION

ORDER OF THE PRESIDING JUDGE RE) GENERAL ORDER
PROBATE HEARINGS 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 Chief Justice directed to the Fresno Superior Court and the Statewide Orders 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 limited exceptions as set out in Order from Presiding Judge dated April 3, 2020 and posted on the Court's website, Probate matters will not be heard from April 6, 2020 until May 1, 2020.

All clerk's offices in the B.F. Sisk Courthouse will be closed. Mandatory efilings remains in place. Parties are able to

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

9 LPS writ hearings and LPS Riese hearings will continue to be
10 held utilizing video conferencing.

11 Temporary LPS conservatorship hearings will continue to be
12 held utilizing video conferencing or telephonic conferencing.

13 Any temporary guardianship or temporary conservatorship that
14 was granted ex parte will be set for hearing. These hearings will
15 be set on Wednesdays at 9:00 a.m. and hearing notices will be
16 sent. The parties will be permitted to enter the B.F. Sisk
17 Courthouse for the limited purpose of attending the hearing.

18 For matters where a temporary guardianship is in place and
19 there has been at least one hearing, the temporary orders are
20 extended to the date of the hearing for the petition for
21 appointment of a permanent guardian. In the event that the length
22 of the closure necessitates a continuance of the permanent
23 hearing, the hearing will be continued and notices mailed.

24 For matters where a temporary conservatorship is in place and
25 there has been at least one hearing, the temporary orders are
26 extended to the date of the hearing for the petition for
27 appointment of a permanent conservator. In the event that the
28 length of the closure necessitates a continuance of the permanent

1 hearing, the hearing will be continued and notices mailed.

2 All LPS reappointment hearings scheduled to occur from April
3 6, 2020 through May 1, 2020, inclusive, will be continued for four
4 weeks on a rolling basis. Notices of the new date will be sent in
5 each case. Please also check Odyssey for information on your case.

6 Other hearings scheduled to occur from April 6, 2020 through
7 May 1, 2020, inclusive, will be continued for four weeks on a
8 rolling basis. Notices of the new date will be sent in each case.
9 Please also check Odyssey for information on your case.

10 Ex parte requests will be addressed on a case-by-case basis.

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12 THIS ORDER IS EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY.

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14 DATED this 6th day of April, 2020.

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19 ARLAN L. HARRELL
20 PRESIDING JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT