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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF NAPA 825 Brown Street Napa, CA 94559 www.napa.courts.ca.gov

707-299-1100

Mark Boessenecker Presiding Judge

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NAPA SUPERIOR COURT CLOSES TO THE PUBLIC, SIGNIFICANTLY CURTAILS OPERATIONS TO MITIGATE SPREAD OF COVID-19

NAPA, CA—Starting Wednesday, March 18, 2020, the Napa Superior Court will cut back court operations extensively in response to the coronavirus public health emergency. This includes closing to the public at all locations and reducing calendars to time sensitive and certain public safety matters while relying on minimal staffing.

Note the following impacts and service changes:

- The Court plans to handle time sensitive in-custody arraignments, certain family and juvenile cases, and emergency matters.
- All non-time sensitive matters will be continued out approximately 8 weeks beginning Wednesday, March 18.
- Any court calendars will be heard in the Criminal Court Building.
- The Historic and Juvenile Courthouses are closed.
- Limited self-help service will be available by phone from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. daily Monday through Friday at 707-299-1137.
- A drop box for emergency matters is available at the Criminal Court Building located at 1111 Third Street in downtown Napa. Routine matters will not be processed until normal court operations resume.
- No jury trials will occur during this time. If you've been called for jury service, please check your status online or by calling 707-299-1150.
- Check the court's website at www.napa.courts.ca.gov for the latest information. Detailed plans by case type are posted here.

"While the decision to limit access to our courthouses was painful for the entire Napa justice community, mitigating the current health risk to court staff and the public was paramount for all of us. The Napa Court will resume normal business once it is safe to do so," said Presiding Judge Mark Boessenecker.

For any additional questions, please contact the Court Executive Office by email at Court.Administration@napa.courts.ca.gov.

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