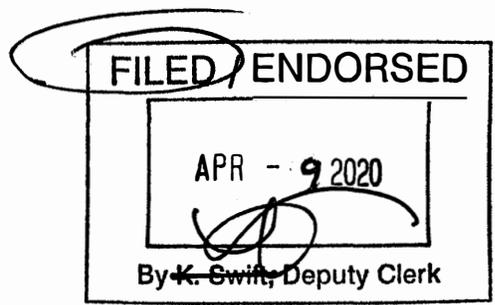


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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO

ORDER

ARRAIGNMENTS AND PRELIMINARY HEARINGS
REMOTE VIDEO TECHNOLOGY
AMENDMENT

On March 30, 2020, the Court issued its general Order Arraignments and Preliminary Hearings – Remote Video Technology, providing that all in-custody arraignments and preliminary hearings shall be accomplished through the use of interactive video technology to minimize the physical proximity of all participants as specified therein.

On April 6, 2020, the California Judicial Council adopted Emergency Rules of Court, rules 1-11. To comply with Emergency rules 3(a)(2) and 5, regarding the use of technology for remote appearances and waivers of personal appearance, the Court amends its prior order to now provide as follows:

Effective **April 9, 2020**, with the consent of the defendant to conduct the proceeding remotely and in compliance with Emergency Rule 5, all in-custody arraignments and preliminary hearings shall be accomplished through the use of interactive video technology to minimize the physical proximity of all participants. This remote video technology shall allow all participants,

1 including the judge, witnesses, defendant, defense and prosecuting attorneys to fully see and hear
2 each other. Counsel will be permitted to personally appear with their client but have the option to
3 appear remotely with their client's consent. Additionally, the defendant shall have the ability to
4 confidentially communicate with his/her attorney during the hearing. The hearing shall be
5 reported by a Certified Court Reporter.

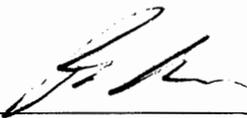
6 If a defendant does not consent to the proceeding occurring remotely, the matter shall be
7 continued to a date within applicable statutory time limits and any emergency relief extensions to
8 allow for the judge and staff to be physically present in the courtroom with the defendant. The
9 attorney for the defendant shall also be personally present at this hearing.

10 The public shall have access to a video live stream of these proceedings at
11 <http://www.youtube.com/user/SacCountyCourts>, unless otherwise ordered closed to the public.

12 The Court finds that these measures are necessary to obey the present health orders and
13 maximize health protection to all participants, while also providing to defendants full and
14 expeditious due process through the closest alternative to physical presence in the courtroom.

15 **THIS ORDER IS EFFECTIVE APRIL 9, 2020. THIS ORDER MAY BE**
16 **AMENDED AS CIRCUMSTANCES REQUIRE.**

17 DATED: April 9, 2020

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21 **RUSSELL L. HOM**
22 **PRESIDING JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT**