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COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE

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V. Magaña

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
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GENERAL ORDER NO.: 2021-29

RE: MANDATORY USE OF FACE
COVERINGS BY THE PUBLIC

In response to the rising number of COVID-19 cases, and to maximize protection from the COVID-19 Delta variant, on July 27, 2021, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), issued new guidance recommending that fully vaccinated persons wear a face covering in public indoor settings. The California Department of Public Health and the Riverside County Public Health Department have both aligned with the CDC recommendation.

For good cause and pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure §128, Government Code § 68070, Cal. Rules of Court, rule 10.603, the inherent powers of the Court (*In re Reno* (2012) 55 Cal.4th 428, 522), and in compliance with federal, state and local guidelines, the Court hereby finds and orders as follows:

1. All persons entering any courthouse shall wear a facial covering at all times while within the courthouse. Court employees, whose workplace safety is regulated by Cal/OSHA, are exempt from this provision.

ORDER RE: MANDATORY USE OF FACE COVERINGS BY THE PUBLIC

1 2. The facial covering required by this Order must have at least two layers of material and
2 must fit snugly over the nose, mouth, and chin, hooking around the ears or secured behind
3 the head. Single layer neck gaiters, face coverings with an exhalation valve, and face
4 shields (without the two-layered face covering underneath) are not permitted. Children
5 under the age of two (2) are exempt from this order.

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7 3. Any person with a disability who refuses or is unable to wear the required facial
8 covering may request an exemption from this order as a reasonable accommodation
9 pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act, or Rule 1.100 of the Cal. Rules of Court.
10 To request an accommodation please contact the Court's ADA coordinator at
11 www.riverside.courts.ca.gov/GeneralInfo/ADA/ADA.php. To reduce the risk of
12 infection, individuals exempted from wearing a facial covering may have their matter
13 scheduled at a time when there are fewer people in court.

14 4. Non-exempt individuals who decline or refuse to wear a facial covering will be denied
15 entry to the courthouse or courtroom.


16 5. Non-exempt individuals who remove their facial covering after entering the courthouse
17 or courtroom will be reminded to wear them. If they refuse, they may be denied services,
18 have their legal matter rescheduled, and/or will be asked to leave the courthouse.

19 6. Terms of this Order supersede any conflicting terms in any other Court Order.

20 7. This Order is effective August 9, 2021.

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22 IT IS SO ORDERED

23 Date: August 2, 2021

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26 JUDITH C. CLARK
27 Acting Presiding Judge
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