

**SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF MODOC**

In Re:

Order of the Presiding Judge

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In consideration of the public health crisis currently affecting our state, local, national, and international communities, the Modoc County Superior Court will be implementing the following procedures effective immediately. Courtrooms will practice social distancing, with any persons in the gallery instructed to sit at least six feet apart. The Court currently plans to resume regular court operations on Monday, April 13, 2020.

Criminal Matters:

A. Orders To Appear - and General Orders

1. Effective immediately, any prior order to a defendant to appear in a misdemeanor case scheduled between March 17, 2020 to and including April 13, 2020 is rescinded and counsel can and should appear for clients in these proceedings via Penal Code §977.
2. Effective immediately, the Court will accept §977 waivers executed out of court for a defendant with a pending criminal matter who is out of custody and who has an appearance between March 17, 2020 to and including April 13, 2020 to facilitate continuances.

B. Jury Trials

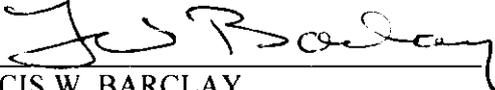
1. All jury trials scheduled to commence on or before April 13, 2020 are vacated and any person who has received a juror summons will be re-summoned for a date in the future. This Order is based on a finding of good cause arising out of the Public Health Crisis declared by the County of Modoc, the Governor of the State of California, and the President of the United States of America. This Order will facilitate the court's goal of eliminating public gatherings in our courthouses of large groups of people that jury trials necessarily require.

Civil, Family Law and Probate Matters

1. Counsel in all civil, family law and probate matters scheduled to appear between March 17, 2020 to and including April 13, 2020 should plan on attending via Court- Call.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: 3/17/2020


FRANCIS W. BARCLAY
Presiding Judge of the Modoc Superior Court