

1 **SUPERIOR COURT**  
2 **COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO**  
3 247 West Third Street, Eleventh Floor  
4 San Bernardino, California 92415

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8 **IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA**  
9 **FOR THE COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO**

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11 **IN RE:** ) **GENERAL ORDER OF THE**  
12 ) **PRESIDING JUDGE**  
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14 **FINDING OF GOOD CAUSE AND** )  
15 **BLANKET WAIVER OF LIMITATIONS** )  
16 **PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA RULE OF** )  
17 **COURT 2.818(b)** )

18 The County of San Bernardino is geographically large and diverse. The Superior  
19 Court of San Bernardino County operates numerous courthouses, many of which serve  
20 geographically distant and relatively small populations.

21 The Superior Court of San Bernardino County is and historically has been  
22 understaffed as to judicial officers. The Court currently has one of the highest  
23 caseloads per judge ratio in the state.

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25 In order to deal with its ever-increasing caseload and to serve the public, the  
26 Superior Court has historically heavily relied on attorneys serving as temporary judges.  
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1 This is especially true in volume calendars such as family law, unlawful detainers, small  
2 claims and traffic.

3 The limitation of California Rule of Court 2.818(b) would place undue hardship  
4 on the court's ability to recruit sufficient numbers of temporary judges to adequately  
5 serve the public.

6 Based on the above, the Court finds there is good cause to waive the limitations  
7 in Rule 2.818(b) 1-3. This waiver applies to all matters heard by temporary judges in  
8 San Bernardino County.

9 This order is effective January 1, 2020, and supersedes all previous general  
10 orders entitled *Finding of Good Cause and Blanket Waiver of Limitations 2.818(b)*,  
11 issued by previous Presiding Judges. This order shall remain in effect until December  
12 31, 2021.

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14 Dated this 1st day of January, 2020.

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20 Michael A. Sachs  
21 Presiding Judge of the Superior Court  
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