SUPERIOR COURT COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO 247 West Third Street, Eleventh Floor San Bernardino, CA 92415-0302

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
FOR THE COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO

IN RE:

GENERAL ORDER WAIVING LIMITATIONS FOR TEMPORARY JUDGES IN FAMILY LAW, PROBATE, UNLAWFUL DETAINER, SMALL CLAIMS, AND TRAFFIC CASES **GENERAL ORDER #GO24-028**

GENERAL ORDER OF THE PRESIDING JUDGE

California Rules of Court, rule 2.818(b)(1) prohibits an attorney from serving as a court-appointed temporary judge "[i]f the attorney, in any type of case, is appearing on the same day in the same courthouse as an attorney or as a party". Rule 2.818 also provides that the Presiding Judge may waive this limitation upon a finding of good cause.

The Court hereby finds good cause exists to waive the limitations for temporary judges in family law, probate, unlawful detainer, small claims and traffic cases as set forth in subsection (b)(1) of Rule 2.818. Good cause exists because of the continuing shortage of judicial assets in the Superior Court, resulting in the need to utilize temporary judges in order to enhance access to timely justice for the public. Therefore, despite the limitation set forth in Rule 2.818 subsection (b)(1), an attorney who is duly appointed as a temporary judge is hereby authorized to hear a family law, probate, unlawful detainer, small claims or traffic cases even if the attorney is appearing on the same day in the same courthouse as an attorney or as a party, provided that the

attorney's temporary judge assignment has concluded for that day. No attorney who has been appointed as a temporary judge may appear on any case on the same day and in the same courthouse as an attorney or party before completing all calendars and other responsibilities associated with the attorney's appointment as a temporary assigned judge.

This waiver is subject to the other grounds for limitation or disqualification as set forth in the California Code of Judicial Ethics, California Rules of Court, rule 2.818(b)(2),(3) and (c)(2), and California Code of Civil Procedure sections 170.1 *et seq*.

This Order is effective January 1, 2024 and will remain effective until such time as the Presiding Judge determines that good cause no longer exists. IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated this 1st day of January, 2024

Lisa M. Rogan

Presiding Judge of the Superior Court