SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF NEVADA

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## IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF NEVADA

In Re Pending Jury Trials

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 176

Whereas, the World Health Organization has declared that the COVID-19 virus has reached the level of a pandemic; and,

Whereas, the California Department of Public Health has issued guidelines in response to this health emergency that require social distancing to be practiced so that persons are not within six (6) feet of each other in confined spaces; and,

Whereas, a review of the available facilities of this court, both in the Nevada City Branch and the Truckee Branch, to assemble, question and empanel jurors indicates that the court cannot comply with that common sense guideline; it is

ORDERED that all Civil and Criminal jury trials scheduled to commence between March 17, 2020 and April 14, 2020 are VACATED, excepting only those criminal trials in which time has not been waived. Counsel and non-represented parties for all vacated trials remain obligated to appear at any scheduled Trial Readiness Conference. Any counsel or

parties with vacated cases whose case does not have a scheduled appearance will be notified by the Clerk when and where to appear for trial resetting in the appropriate assigned department; and it is further

ORDERED, that any party to any of these vacated trials who wishes to waive jury may apply ex parte to the assigned department in an effort to hold the previously scheduled trial date.

DATED: March 13, 2020

LINDA J. SLOVEN

Presiding Judge of the Superior Court