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

In Re:
Face Coverings

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 205

Effective April 20, 2022, the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) revised its guidance regarding face coverings by stating that: Masks are strongly recommended for all persons, regardless of vaccine status, in indoor public settings and businesses. Further, CDPH states that surgical masks or higher-level respirators (*e.g.*, N95s, KN95s, KF94s) with good fit are highly recommended. Effective Feb 16, 2022, the Nevada County Public Health Officer revised the county masking order. Nevada County Public Health states, "it is still highly recommended that everyone, regardless of vaccination status, wear a high-quality mask while in public spaces."

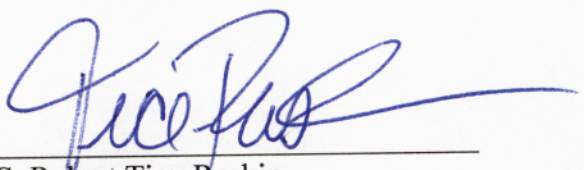
In order to protect the health and safety of the public, court personnel, judicial officers, litigants, attorneys, witnesses and law enforcement officers,

THE COURT HEREBY ORDERS AS FOLLOWS:

1. All persons, two years of age and older, who enter the courthouse are strongly recommended to wear a face covering in all areas of the courthouse. The following are examples of recommended face coverings: multi-layer disposable surgical masks, N95/KN95 masks, multi-layer homemade masks or substantially similar face coverings. Face coverings should cover the individual's nose and mouth and be secured under the chin.
2. Notwithstanding the foregoing, masking will be required for all persons entering the court if court staff enters an outbreak as defined by the CalOSHA emergency temporary standards (ETS). The following provisions shall apply in the event of any such outbreak.

- 1 a. Any person without an acceptable face covering may be denied entry to the
2 courthouse or a courtroom.
- 3 b. Persons who are unable or unwilling to wear a face covering within the
4 courthouse may submit their contact information to the court's Americans with
5 Disability Act (ADA) Coordinator or front door security officer in order for
6 arrangements regarding potential accommodation. Persons who believe they
7 are unable to wear a face covering, as defined, because of a medical or other
8 legally recognized disability under the ADA, and who wish to have an
9 accommodation must file a written request for accommodation on form MC-
10 410 and submit the same to the court's ADA Coordinator. Accommodations
11 will be considered pursuant to California Rules of Court 1.100 on a case-by-
12 case basis. Requests for accommodations should be submitted at least five
13 court days in advance of the hearing to ensure timely consideration.
- 14 c. Judicial officers have discretion in their individual courtrooms to allow
15 persons, including themselves, to remove their face coverings for limited
16 periods of time, to the extent doing so is deemed necessary for the proceedings.
- 17 d. Any person who, absent an approved accommodation or authorization, refuses
18 to wear a face covering after being directed to do so by a judicial officer,
19 employee, security officer or deputy may be removed from the courthouse for
20 failure to comply with this Order.
- 21 3. Individuals experiencing any symptoms which may be associated with COVID-19
22 (e.g., sore throat, sniffles, sneezing, coughing, headache) are implored to exercise
23 appropriate courtesy by wearing a face covering in the courthouse. Per CDPH isolation
24 and quarantine guidance, infected persons should isolate for five days, and mask
25 indoors and when around others during a full 10 days following symptom onset (or
26 positive test if no symptoms). Exposed persons should mask for 10 days following an
27 identified close contact to someone with COVID-19, especially high-risk contacts. The
28 court may require individuals displaying symptoms of COVID-19 to wear a face
covering. Failure to comply with any such requirement may result in removal from the
courthouse.

Dated: July 11, 2022


S. Robert Tice-Raskin
Presiding Judge of the Superior Court