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*** FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE ***

The Superior Court of California, County of Del Norte will continue limited operations to the public. Starting May 26, 2020, the Court will be open daily on a limited basis to maximize safety and yet protect the public's right to access their government and seek justice.

Most courtroom proceedings that have been temporarily discontinued since March 2020, will be conducted telephonically whenever possible, and some in-person appearances will also be held, as necessary on a limited basis maximizing social distancing.

No jury trials will be conducted until the Judicial Council's moratorium has expired.

The clerk's office will remain closed to the public through May 29th. Filings will continue to be accepted through the secured mailbox in the courthouse lobby or by mail. Counter hours will be opened starting Monday, June 1st, with limitations and adhering to the Public Health Officer's Order. Paperwork received over the counter will be continued to be quarantined for a 24-hour period. Therefore, please plan accordingly.

The court recommends all persons utilize drop boxes to submit documents for filing and pick-up documents in the area provided in the courthouse in lieu of visiting the clerk's offices. The number of people allowed in lobby areas will be limited to comply with social distancing. The court strongly recommends all persons wear masks or face coverings and continue to follow hygiene recommendations of the Center for Disease Control and Prevention and the Department of Public Health. Social distancing will be enforced in court facilities and the number of public entering the building will be subject to space limitations on a first come basis.

Any person that is currently sick, displaying symptoms of COVID-19, is an older adult, or is in a high risk group due to medical conditions should contact their attorney if they have one, or the court if they do not have an attorney, to address their court date to prevent a warrant from being issued. Questions may be addressed to the court at (707) 464-8115. Otherwise, Anyone displaying COVID-19 symptoms or is not feeling well will not be allowed in court buildings.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Darren McElfresh", written over a horizontal line.

DARREN McELFRESH, Presiding Judge
Del Norte Superior Court