IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

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DOUGLAS T. SHIMA
CLERK OF APPELLATE COURTS

Administrative Order

2020-PR-101

Order Continuing Administrative Orders Suspending Statutes of Limitation, Statutory Time Standards, Deadlines, and Time Limitations Under State Finance Council's Extension of the State of Disaster Emergency related to COVID-19

As the Chief Justice of the Kansas Supreme Court, I have issued multiple Administrative Orders under 2020 House Substitute for Senate Bill 102, which became effective upon its publication in the Kansas Register on March 19, 2020 (39 Kan. Reg. 304) and the Legislature's amendments to 2020 House Substitute for Senate Bill 102, § 1, through 2020 Spec. Sess. House Bill 2016, § 24, which became effective upon its publication in the Kansas Register on June 9, 2020 (39 Kan. Reg. 755). This legislation allows me to "issue an order to extend or suspend any deadlines or time limitations established by statute."

2020 Spec. Sess. House Bill 2016 ratified the state of disaster emergency declarations issued by the Governor and continued in existence the disaster emergency declaration issued for all 105 counties of Kansas, from March 12, 2020, through September 15, 2020. 2020 Spec. Sess. House Bill 2016, § 5, L. 2020 Spec. Session, Ch. 1, § 5. On September 11, 2020, the State Finance Council voted to extend the state of disaster emergency through October 15, 2020.

Under the authority granted to me by 2020 House Substitute for Senate Bill 102, L. 2020 Session Ch. 4, as amended by 2020 Spec. Sess. House Bill 2016, § 24, L. 2020 Spec. Session, Ch. 1, § 24, and amendments thereto, and in connection with the State Finance Council's 30-day extension of the state of disaster emergency related to COVID-19, because it remains necessary to take action to secure the health and safety of court users, staff, and judicial officers, I order the following:

1. Each Administrative Order listed below suspending statutes of limitation, statutory time standards, deadlines, and time limitations continues in existence under the State Finance Council's extension of the state of disaster emergency.

    - 2020-PR-016;
    - 2020-PR-031, and its amendments in 2020-PR-036;
    - 2020-PR-032;
    - 2020-PR-044;

- 2020-PR-046;
- 2020-PR-047;
- 2020-PR-055;
- 2020-PR-057;
- 2020-PR-058; and
- 2020-PR-075.

2. 2020-PR-058 controls any conflicts that exist between 2020-PR-016, numbered paragraph 15; 2020-PR-032, numbered paragraph 17; 2020-PR-047; and 2020-PR-058 regarding suspending statutes of limitation and statutory time standards or deadlines applying to the conduct or processing of judicial proceedings. Administrative Order 2020-PR-058 does not pertain to or impact deadlines or time limitations under K.S.A. 2019 Supp. 22-3402.

3. This order and the administrative orders in the bulleted list in numbered paragraph 1 of this order will remain in effect until my further order or this order's expiration under the terms of 2020 House Substitute for Senate Bill 102, §1, L. 2020 Session Ch. 4, § 1, as amended by 2020 Spec. Sess. House Bill 2016, § 24, L. 2020 Special Session Ch. 1, § 24, and amendments thereto.

This order does not impact my Administrative Orders authorizing two-way telephonic or electronic audio-visual communication or Administrative Order 2020-PR-075's declaration that my Administrative Orders authorizing two-way telephonic or electronic audio-visual communication are no longer tied to the Governor's state of disaster emergency declarations.

Dated this 15th day of September 2020.

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MARLA LUCKERT
Chief Justice