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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

March 5, 2024

NO. S-1-AO-2024-00011

**IN THE MATTER OF AN EXCEPTION
TO RULE 6-105 NMRA FOR THE
LIMITED PURPOSE OF THE SAFE
SURRENDER EVENT AT THE FIRST
JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT**

ORDER

WHEREAS, a safe surrender event is scheduled for April 26, 2024, and April 27, 2024, at the First Judicial District Court in Santa Fe, New Mexico;

WHEREAS, this event will allow parties with outstanding warrants from any of several jurisdictions to safely surrender to judicial officials to clear the warrant(s);

WHEREAS, Magistrate Judge David A. Segura (Santa Fe County Magistrate Court) has volunteered to have parties surrendering at this event appear before him to resolve any outstanding warrants;

WHEREAS, under Rule 6-105(A) NMRA, “[o]nce a judge is assigned to hear a case[,] that judge shall have sole responsibility for the case and no other judge may take any action on the case except . . . with the approval of the assigned judge and all of the parties”;

1 WHEREAS, it is impracticable for judges to obtain permission from the
2 warrant-issuing judge, consistent with Rule 6-105(A) NMRA, within the time
3 allocated for the event; and

4 WHEREAS, the Court having considered the foregoing and being
5 sufficiently advised, Chief Justice C. Shannon Bacon, Justice Michael E. Vigil,
6 Justice David K. Thomson, Justice Julie J. Vargas, and Justice Briana H. Zamora
7 concurring;

8 NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that Rule 6-105(A) NMRA shall be
9 suspended for the sole purpose of permitting the above-named magistrate judge to
10 preside over and enter orders in cases in which a party has an outstanding warrant
11 and surrenders at the safe surrender event at the at the First Judicial District Court
12 in Santa Fe, New Mexico, on April 26, 2024, or April 27, 2024.

13 IT IS SO ORDERED.



14 WITNESS, the Honorable C. Shannon Bacon, Chief
15 Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of New
16 Mexico, and the seal of said Court this 5th day of March,
17 2024.

18 *Elizabeth A. Garcia*

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Elizabeth A. Garcia, Chief Clerk of the Supreme Court
20 of the State of New Mexico