

1 **IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO**

2 **September 8, 2023**

3 **NO. S-1-AO-2023-00017**

4 **IN THE MATTER OF AN EXCEPTION**
5 **TO RULE 6-105 NMRA FOR THE**
6 **LIMITED PURPOSE OF THE SAFE**
7 **SURRENDER EVENT AT TAOS**
8 **COUNTY MAGISTRATE COURT**

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10 **ORDER**

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12 WHEREAS, a safe surrender event is scheduled for September 29, 2023,
13 and September 30, 2023, at the Taos County Magistrate Court in Taos, New
14 Mexico;

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

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

21 WHEREAS, under Rule 6-105(A) NMRA, “[o]nce a judge is assigned to
22 hear a case[,] that judge shall have sole responsibility for the case and no other
23 judge may take any action on the case except . . . with the approval of the assigned
24 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

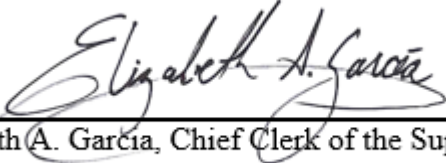
4 WHEREAS, the Court having considered the foregoing and being
5 sufficiently advised, Chief Justice C. Shannon Bacon, Justice Michael E. Vigil,
6 Justice David K. Thomson, Justice Julie J. Vargas, and Justice Briana H. Zamora
7 concurring;

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 judges 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 Taos County Magistrate
12 Court in Taos, New Mexico, on September 29, 2023, or September 30, 2023.

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 8th day of
17 September, 2023.

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