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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

November 12, 2025

NO. S-1-AO-2025-00022

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

ORDER

WHEREAS, a safe surrender event is scheduled for November 14, 2025, and November 15, 2025, at the Quay County District Court in Tucumcari, 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, Hon. David A. Segura (Santa Fe County Magistrate Court) and Hon. Noreen L. Hendrickson (Tucumcari Magistrate Court) have volunteered to have parties surrendering at this event appear before them 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

1 judge may take any action on the case except . . . with the approval of the assigned
2 judge and all of the parties”;

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

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

10 NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that Rule 6-105(A) NMRA shall be
11 suspended for the sole purpose of permitting the above-named magistrate judges to
12 preside over and enter orders in cases in which a party has an outstanding warrant
13 and surrenders at the safe surrender event at the at the Quay County District Court
14 in Tucumcari, New Mexico, on November 14, 2025, or November 15, 2025.

15 IT IS SO ORDERED.



16 WITNESS, the Honorable David K. Thomson, Chief
17 Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of New
18 Mexico, and the seal of said Court this 12th day of
19 November, 2025.

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

I CERTIFY AND ATTEST:
A true copy was served on all parties
or their counsel of record on the date filed.

Merianne Stoneback
Clerk of the Supreme Court
of the State of New Mexico