



Chambers of
KIRK H. NAKAMURA
PRESIDING JUDGE

Superior Court of California County of Orange

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Administrative Order No. 19/05

ORDER WAIVING LIMITATIONS FOR TEMPORARY JUDGES IN UNLAWFUL DETAINER CASES

Subsection (b)(3) of Rule 2.818 of the California Rules of Court provides that "an attorney may not serve as a court-appointed temporary judge ... [in an] ... unlawful detainer [case where] one party is self-represented and the other party is represented by an attorney or is an attorney." Rule 2.818 also provides that the Presiding Judge may waive this limitation upon a finding of good cause.

The Court hereby finds good cause exists to waive the limitations for temporary judges in unlawful detainer cases as set forth in subsection (b)(3) of Rule 2.818. Good cause exists because of the continuing shortage of judicial assets in the Superior Court, resulting in the need to utilize temporary judges in order to enhance access to timely justice for the public. Additionally, litigants in unlawful detainer matters are increasingly self-represented.

Therefore, despite the limitation set forth in Rule 2.818 subsection (b)(3), a duly appointed temporary judge is hereby authorized to hear an unlawful detainer case wherein one party is self-represented and the other party is represented by counsel, as long as both parties voluntarily stipulate to the assigned temporary judge hearing the matter.

This Order shall remain effective until such time as the Presiding Judge determines that good cause no longer exists.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated this 15th day of March, 2019.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kirk H. Nakamura", written over a horizontal line.

KIRK H. NAKAMURA
PRESIDING JUDGE