

**SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF MENDOCINO**

In Re:

ABILITY TO PAY – CLERK DETERMINATIONS STANDING ORDER 2024-06

WHEREAS, the Court has implemented the MyCitations – Ability-to-Pay program, sponsored by Judicial Council of California and authorized by California law;

WHEREAS, this program offers traffic litigants an opportunity to request financial relief and assistance from the Court if they do not have the ability to pay the fines, fees and penalty assessments associated with traffic violations;

WHEREAS, California Government Code section 68645.3(e) authorizes courts to permit clerks to make the ability-to-pay determinations when the litigant submits a declaration that they 1) receive public benefits, including those listed in Government Code section 68632(a), or 2) that their household income is equal to or below 300% of the federal poverty limit;


WHEREAS, litigants are provided opportunity to request judicial review of any denial by a clerk of the requested relief from such traffic fines, fees and penalty assessments.

NOW THEREFORE, the court authorizes clerical staff to conduct the determinations of requests for relief through the MyCitations – Ability-to-Pay program. The court further authorizes clerks to forward any requests for judicial review to a judge, upon submittal of a Declaration and Request for Reconsideration of Clerk Determination (local form MTR-560) from any litigant dissatisfied with the clerk’s determination.

It is so ordered.

This standing order shall expire on **December 31, 2024**.

Dated: 8.28.24



Hon. Keith Faulder, Presiding Judge
Superior Court of Mendocino County