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*Presiding Judge*  
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**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF ALAMEDA**  
**GENERAL DIRECTIVE BY THE PRESIDING JUDGE**

**DIRECTIVE NO: 2021-27**

**SUBJECT: PROTECTION OF CALICO INTERVIEW VIDEO RECORDINGS AND TRANSCRIPTS**

In criminal cases where the victim is a child, video recordings and/or transcripts of interviews conducted of child victims at the Child Abuse Listening, Interviewing & Coordination Center (CALICO) will be released to counsel for the defendant only under the following conditions:

1. The recording and/or transcript shall not be used by the defense for any purpose other than to prepare for the defense of the named defendant in the pending case.
2. The recording and/or transcript shall not be given, loaned, sold, or shown to any member or associate of the media unless so ordered by the court of the appropriate jurisdiction.
3. The recording and/or transcript shall not be publicly exhibited, shown, displayed, or used in any fashion except in judicial proceedings in the pending criminal case. This provision is not meant to prohibit the defense from exhibiting the recording and/or transcript to any person(s) necessary to the preparation and/or presentation of the defense case.
4. The recording and/or transcript shall not be duplicated, except as required in connection with the prosecution of defense of the case. Any copy or duplication shall be governed by this Directive as if it were an original.
5. The recording and/or transcript shall not be provided to anyone outside the prosecution and defense offices with the exception of a prosecution or defense expert.
6. Before either party may provide the recording and/or transcript to an expert witness, the party shall serve the individual with a copy of this Directive. Proof of service of this this Directive shall be retained in the prosecution or defense attorney's file until such time as the recording and/or transcript are filed with the Court.
7. When a final disposition in the case has been reached, if the recording and/or transcript has been filed with the Court and made a part of the case record, the Court will maintain any such recording and/or transcript pursuant to Penal Code sections 1417 and 1417.1.
8. A copy of the video recording shall be maintained at CALICO Center for a period of not less than five (5) years.

9. Failure to abide by the terms of the Directive may result in sanctions.

This directive shall expire on December 31, 2021.

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Tara M. Desautels, Presiding Judge  
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