


GENERAL OFFICE MEMORANDUM 21-064

TO: ALL DEPUTY DISTRICT ATTORNEYS

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SUBJECT: NEW PROCESS FOR PENAL CODE SECTION 236.14 PETITIONS

DATE: JUNE 29, 2021

This General Office Memorandum (GOM) revises procedures detailed in Special Directive (SD) 16-18 and GOM 19-026, pertaining to Penal Code (PC) section 236.14 vacatur petitions. These petitions are filed by individuals who claim that they committed a non-violent crime as a direct result of being a victim of human trafficking. Since a trafficked person may petition to vacate any non-violent offense, these petitions often impact the entire Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office and may involve multiple criminal matters throughout the County. As such, reviewing and handling these petitions has now been centralized.

Effective immediately, please forward all PC 236.14 vacatur petitions to the Resentencing Unit (RU) in care of the Deputy-in-Charge (DIC) of RU for processing and review. Petitions must be scanned to RU's email address: ru@da.lacounty.gov, with a hard copy to follow to RU's mailing address:

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