# Update on LA County District Attorney SPECIAL DIRECTIVES

# **Special Directives**

- Habeas Corpus Litigation Unit (SD 20-10)
- Youth Justice (SD 20-09)
- Pretrial Release Policy (SD 20-06)
- Misdemeanor Case Management (SD 20-07)
- Sentencing Enhancements/Allegations (SD 20-08)
- Death Penalty Policy (SD 20-11)
- Victim Services (SD 20-12)
- Conviction Integrity Unit (SD 20-13)
- Resentencing (SD 20-14)

## BACKGROUND ON LOS ANGELES COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S SPECIAL DIRECTIVES

- December 7, 2020: DA Gascón announced nine special directives to reform criminal prosecutions
- December 8, 2020: Directives went into effect
- June 1, 2021: Staff report on Special Directives impact in Monrovia

The following slides provide an update to Special Directives impact in Monrovia

### COMPARISON OF MISDEMEANOR CHARGES FILED AND REJECTED December 1<sup>st</sup> thru May 19<sup>th</sup>

397 charges filed, 12/1/19 – 5/19/20 3 CHARGES REJECTED BEFORE implementation of Special Directive 20-07

BEFORE Special Directive 20-07 was implemented, <u>1 in every 132</u> charges filed was rejected.

## 369

charges filed, 12/1/20 – 5/19/21

## 253

CHARGES REJECTED AFTER implementation of Special Directive 20-07

AFTER Special Directive 20-07 was implemented, <u>1 in every 3</u> charges filed has been rejected.

### COMPARISON OF MISDEMEANOR CHARGES FILED AND REJECTED December 1<sup>st</sup> thru September 30<sup>th</sup>

542 charges filed, 12/1/19 – 9/30/20 16 CHARGES REJECTED BEFORE implementation of Special Directive 20-07

BEFORE Special Directive 20-07 was implemented, <u>1 in every 34</u> charges filed was rejected. 578

charges filed, 12/1/20 – 9/30/21

## 269

CHARGES REJECTED AFTER implementation of Special Directive 20-07

AFTER Special Directive 20-07 was implemented, <u>1 in every 2</u> charges filed has been rejected.

#### MISDEMEANOR CHARGES REJECTED

	Time Period	Time Period
Misdemeanor Charge	December 1, 2019 thru	December 1, 2020 thru
	May 19, 2020	May 19, 2021
Possession of Drug Paraphernalia		80
Possession of a Controlled Substance		55
Under the Influence of a Controlled Substance		10
Trespassing		21
Obstructing an Officer, Resisting Arrest, Giving False ID		14
Public Intoxication, Prowling		10
Driving without a License, Suspended License		38
Misc. Driving Infractions		25
Assault	1	
Domestic Battery	2	
Total Charges Dismissed/Rejected	3	253
Total Charges Filed by MPD	397	369

#### **UPDATE - MISDEMEANOR CHARGES REJECTED**

	Time Period	Time Period
Misdemeanor Charge	December 1, 2019 thru	December 1, 2020 thru
	September 30, 2020	September 30, 2021
Possession of Drug Paraphernalia	2	95
Possession of a Controlled Substance	3	72
Under the Influence of a Controlled Substance	-	10
Trespassing	-	24
Obstructing an Officer, Resisting Arrest, Giving False ID	1	23
Public Intoxication, Prowling	1	7
Driving without a License, Suspended License	-	27
Misc. Driving Infractions	-	5
Assault	1	-
Domestic Battery	4	4
Violation of a Domestic Order	1	1
Poss. Of Loaded Firearm or Brandish Weapon	2	-
Driving Under the Influence	-	1
Destroy Wireless Communications to Precent Calling 911	1	-
Total Charges Dismissed/Rejected	16	269
Total Charges Filed by MPD	542	578
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