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Summary of Cases Accepted and Related Actions During Week of March 23, 2020

[This news release is issued to inform the public and the press of cases that the Supreme Court has accepted and of their general subject matter. The statement of the issue or issues in each case set out below does not necessarily reflect the view of the court, or define the specific issues that will be addressed by the court.]

#20-90 People v. Carney, \$260063. (C077558; nonpublished opinion; Sacramento County Superior Court; 11F00700.) Petition for review after the Court of Appeal remanded for resentencing in part and otherwise affirmed judgments of conviction of criminal offenses. The court limited review to the following issues: (1) Does the "substantial concurrent causation" theory of liability of People v. Sanchez (2001) 26 Cal.4th 834 permit a conviction for first degree murder if the defendants did not fire the shot that killed the victim? (2) What impact, if any, do People v. Chiu (2014) 59 Cal.4th 155 and Senate Bill No. 1437 (Stats. 2018, ch. 1015, § 1, subd. (f)) have on the rule of Sanchez?

#20-92 People v. Vivar, S260270. (E070926; 43 Cal.App.5th 216; Riverside County Superior Court; RIF101988.) Petition for review after the Court of Appeal affirmed an order denying a post-judgment motion in a criminal matter. This case presents the following issue: Did the Court of Appeal err in ruling that defendant failed to demonstrate prejudice within the meaning of Penal Code section 1473.7 from trial counsel's failure to properly advise him of the immigration consequences of his plea?

#20-93 People v. Burks, S260662. (D074599; nonpublished opinion; San Diego County Superior Court; SCD272955.) Petition for review after the Court of Appeal affirmed a judgment of conviction of a criminal offense. The court ordered briefing deferred pending decision in People v. Frahs, S252220 (#18-175), which presents the following issues: (1) Does Penal Code section 1001.36 apply retroactively to all cases in which the judgment is not yet final? (2) Did the Court of Appeal err by remanding for a determination of defendant's eligibility under Penal Code section 1001.36?

#20-94 People v. Castaneda, \$260302. (C085960; nonpublished opinion; Sacramento County Superior Court; 16FE006090.) Petition for review after the Court of Appeal remanded for resentencing in part and otherwise affirmed judgments of conviction of criminal offenses. The court ordered briefing deferred pending decision in People v. Lopez, \$258175 (#19-172), which presents the following issues: (1) Does Senate Bill No. 1437 (Stats. 2018, ch. 1015) apply to attempted murder liability under the natural and probable consequences doctrine? (2) In order to convict an aider and abettor of attempted willful, deliberate and premeditated murder under the natural and probable consequences doctrine, must a premeditated attempt to murder have been a natural and probable consequence of the target offense? In other words, should People v. Favor (2012) 54 Cal.4th 868 be reconsidered in light of Alleyne v. United States (2013) 570 U.S. 99 and People v. Chiu (2014) 59 Cal.4th 155?

#20-95 In re Chamberlain, S260133. (B300885; nonpublished opinion; Los Angeles County Superior Court; BA198121.) Petition for review after the Court of Appeal denied a petition for writ of habeas corpus. The court ordered briefing deferred pending decision in *In re Milton*, S259954 (#20-64), which presents the following issue: Do the limitations of *People v. Gallardo* (2017) 4 Cal.5th 120 on judicial fact-finding concerning the basis for a prior conviction apply retroactively to final judgments? (Compare *In re Milton* (2019) 42 Cal.App.5th 977 with *In re Brown* (2020) 45 Cal.App.5th 699.)

#20-96 People v. Superior Court (Tony B.), S261174. (B294813; nonpublished opinion; Los Angeles County Superior Court; MA066321, 2H2XZWNK, MJ23850.) Petition for review after the Court of Appeal granted a petition for peremptory writ of mandate. The court ordered briefing deferred pending decision in O.G. v. Superior Court, S259011 (#19-190), which presents the following issue: Did Senate Bill No. 1391 (Stats. 2018, ch. 1012), which eliminated the possibility of transfer to adult criminal court for crimes committed when a minor was 14 or 15 years old, unconstitutionally amend Proposition 57?

#20-97 People v. Woods, \$260629. (C087859; nonpublished opinion; Sacramento County Superior Court; 14F00551.) Petition for review after the Court of Appeal affirmed a judgment of conviction of criminal offenses. The court ordered briefing deferred pending decision in People v. Tirado, \$257658 (#19-174), which presents the following issue: Can the trial court impose an enhancement under Penal Code section 12022.53, subdivision (b), for personal use of a firearm, or under section 12022.53, subdivision (c), for personal and intentional discharge of a firearm, as part of its authority under section 1385 and subdivision (h) of section 12022.53 to strike an enhancement under subdivision (d) for personal and intentional discharge of a firearm resulting in death or great bodily injury, even if the lesser enhancements were not charged in the information or indictment and were not submitted to the jury?

SEPARATE STATEMENT ON DENIAL OF REVIEW

In re Liebb on Reinstatement, S258547. Petition for review after a decision by the Review Department of the State Bar Court.

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