IN RE: DECLARATION OF JUDICIAL EMERGENCY IN 12<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT AND CLOSING OF COURTS TO THE PUBLIC THROUGH MAY 31, 2020

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS DAUPHIN COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

A0-12-2020 2020-CV-00178-A0

## FIFTH SUPPLEMENTAL ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

AND NOW THIS \_\_\_\_\_\_ day of April, 2020, in accordance with the Second Supplemental Order issued by the Pennsylvania Supreme Court on April 1, 2020, it is hereby ORDERED as follows:

- 1. The Declaration of Judicial Emergency in Dauphin County is extended through May 31, 2020.
- 2. All Courts shall remain closed to the public through May 31, 2020.
- 3. Court matters deemed essential shall proceed in accordance with the Administrative Order dated March 16, 2020 and supplemented by the Supplemental Administrative Order dated March 30, 2020.
- 4. The May, June and July civil and criminal jury trial terms are cancelled. In civil matters, counsel or self-represented parties shall file a new certificate of readiness or request a status conference to identify a new trial date. Criminal jury trials will be rescheduled by the Court.
- 5. May arbitration hearings are cancelled. Counsel or self-represented parties shall file a new certificate of readiness.
- 6. Proceedings not deemed to be essential proceedings as listed in the Administrative Orders dated March 16, 2020 and March 30, 2020 shall proceed either by video conference or telephone conference.
- 7. The scheduling of any in-person court proceedings must be approved in advance by the President Judge.
- 8. Time calculations for the purposes of time computation relevant to court cases or other judicial business, as well as time deadlines, are suspended for the time period of March 17, 2020 at 4:30 p.m. through May 31, 2020. Any legal papers or pleadings which are required to be filed during the time period referenced above SHALL BE DEEMED to have been timely filed if they are filed by June 1, 2020.

- 9. Any postponement of criminal case scheduling caused by this extension of the judicial emergency shall be considered a court postponement and shall constitute excludable time for purposes of the application of Rule of Criminal Procedure 600.
- 10. All other provisions contained in the Administrative Order dated March 16, 2020 and the Supplemental Administrative Orders dated March 30, 2020 and April 1, 2020 that are not in conflict with the above shall remain in full force and effect.

BY THE COURT:

John F Cherry President Judge

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