

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF PENNSYLVANIA

9<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT

IN RE: 9<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT : CP-21-MD-0000202-2020

DECLARATION OF JUDICIAL EMERGENCY :

DECLARATION

Per the Supreme Court's Order dated March 16, 2020, I declare a judicial emergency in the 9<sup>th</sup> Judicial District for the following period: March 16, 2020 to April 14, 2020.

The operation of Rule of Criminal Procedure 600 shall be suspended in the 9<sup>th</sup> Judicial District during the period of the local judicial emergency.

Signed:  \_\_\_\_\_, P.J.

Dated: 3/16/20

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IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS  
CUMBERLAND COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

IN RE: MODIFICATIONS TO THE COURT'S FUNCTIONS DURING THE  
CUMBERLAND COUNTY TEMPORARY CORONAVIRUS POLICY

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ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

AND NOW, this 16<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2020, after consultation with the Cumberland County District Attorney, Court Administrator, Sheriff, and Public Defender, and to better allow the common pleas judges, magisterial district judges and hearing officers of the 9<sup>th</sup> Judicial District to continue performing the Judicial District's essential functions for the duration of Cumberland County's temporary policy and guidelines addressing the coronavirus, it is hereby ORDERED and DECREED as follows:

1. All judges, magisterial district judges, and hearing officers, when reasonably possible, shall do the following:
  - a. utilize, and encourage litigants to utilize, to the fullest extent available, telephonic, video/audio devices and other advanced communication technology to reduce personal appearances for hearings, trials, meetings, conferences, and similar proceedings or gatherings;
  - b. stagger court appearance times to reduce crowding; and
  - c. limit meetings, conferences and other gatherings to essential participants and arrange seating to avoid unnecessary close personal contact;
  - d. liberally grant requests for continuances.

2. Other than the modifications described above, the judges and hearing officers shall schedule and conduct hearings and trials in essentially the same manner they were scheduled and conducted before the discovery of coronavirus.
3. The Cumberland County sheriff deputies and Cumberland County constables are hereby authorized and directed to decline transportation of prisoners from any prison/jail despite a valid transportation order if, using his or her reasonable discretion, the prisoner to be transported appears to be sick or may have recently (within the last 14 days) been in contact with someone who may be positive for coronavirus. Any sheriff deputy or constable declining transportation on this basis shall immediately contact the appropriate judge/hearing officer involved in the subject case.
4. This Administrative Order is effective immediately.

BY THE COURT,



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Edward E. Guido, P.J.

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF CUMBERLAND COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

CIVIL DIVISION

IN RE:

ACCESS TO JUDICIAL  
FACILITIES IN THE 9<sup>TH</sup>  
JUDICIAL DISTRICT

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**ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER**

AND NOW, this 16<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2020, it is hereby ORDERED, ADJUDGED, and DECREED that public access to judicial facilities in the 9<sup>th</sup> Judicial District shall be limited as follows, effective immediately:

1. Court and County employees, officials, and people with badge keycard credentials;
2. Attorneys, litigants, witnesses, victims, and participants in judicial proceedings before the Court of Common Pleas or a magisterial district court (this does not include friends or family members of the above);
3. Individuals with a *bona fide* business need before a Court or Court-related office;
4. Attorneys, litigants, or their representatives filing papers or pleadings, or making monetary payments, with the offices of the Clerk of Courts, Prothonotary, Recorder of Deeds, or Register of Wills (although they are encouraged to do so electronically whenever possible); and
5. Members of the media.

It is further ORDERED that the Sheriff of Cumberland County, or his designee, is authorized to enforce this ORDER and bar individuals from the premises of any judicial facility.

BY THE COURT:



\_\_\_\_\_, P.J.  
President Judge Edward E. Guido

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS  
CUMBERLAND COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

IN RE: MODIFICATIONS TO ARRAIGNMENT COURT SCHEDULED FOR  
MARCH 19, 2020, AS A RESULT OF CORONAVIRUS

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

AND NOW, this 16<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2020, it is hereby ordered and directed as follows:

1. Defendants represented by the Public Defender will be arraigned through their lawyer and should not appear.
2. Private counsel may appear and arraign their clients without their presence. Provided, however, a bench warrant will issue for any client not arraigned.
3. All other defendants must appear.

BY THE COURT,



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IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF  
CUMBERLAND COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

IN RE: JURY TRIALS MARCH 23, 2020

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

AND NOW, this 16<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2020, the Criminal Jury Trials scheduled for the week of March 23, 2020 are cancelled as a result of the coronavirus emergency. All defendants are directed to appear for a pretrial conference on April 21, 2020, at 9:00 a.m. in Courtroom Number 3, and for trial May 11, 2020, at 9:00 a.m.

This delay is attributed to the Cumberland County Judiciary and shall presumptively be excluded from the calculation of time for the purposes of Pa.R.Crim.P. 600. *See Commonwealth v. Crowley*, 502 Pa. 393, 466 A.2d 1009 (1983).

BY THE COURT,



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