

IN RE:

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS

The 45th JUDICIAL DISTRICT

OF LACKAWANNA COUNTY

: NO. 2020 MO122

EMERGENCY JUDICIAL ORDER DATED MARCH 16, 2020

NOW, this 16TH day of MARCH, 2020, in accord with the Order of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania authorizing this Court to declare a Judicial Emergency in the 45th Judicial District of Pennsylvania, I do hereby declare that a Judicial Emergency exists in this Judicial District and shall continue to exist until APRIL 14, 2020 on account of COVID-19.

Consistent with the foregoing declaration, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED as follows:

- l. Time calculations for the purposes of time computation within this Judicial District for the filing of documents with the Court or taking other judicially mandated action are hereby suspended beginning March 16, 2020 up to and including April 10, 2020.
- 2. Without limiting any computations referred to in the previous paragraph, the operation of Rule of Criminal Procedure 600 is hereby suspended for the duration of this Judicial Emergency and the time period of this Judicial Emergency shall be excluded from the time computation under Rule of Criminal Procedure 600(C).
- 3. The use of advance communication technology is hereby included to permit the conduct of Court proceedings including but not limited to those proceedings specified under PA Rule of Criminal Procedure 119(A)(1)(5)(6)(7).
- 4. Court calendars may be modified by the individual judges or the Court Administrator with appropriate notice to the parties who shall also have the authority to suspend or cancel jury or non-jury trials as well as jury duty.

- 5. This Court may exercise or implement all other special powers granted and authorized under PA Rule of Judicial Administration 1952(B)(2).
- 6. This Order has been transmitted to the State Court Administrator's Office and the Prothonotary of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania and in effective immediately.

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CLERK OF JUDICIAL

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