

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF ERIE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

IN RE: : ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
SIXTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE : :
COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF : :
ERIE COUNTY - DECLARATION OF : NO. 90014 OF 2020
JUDICIAL EMERGENCY : :

COMMON PLEAS COURT
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SUPPLEMENTAL EMERGENCY JUDICIAL ORDER

AND NOW, to-wit, this 18th day of November, 2020:

WHEREAS, by Order of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania dated May 27, 2020, a President Judge of a Court of Common Pleas is authorized to exercise emergency powers beyond the time of an existing declaration of a judicial emergency;

WHEREAS, on November 17, 2020, pursuant to the Disease Prevention and Control Law of 1955 at 35 P.S. § 521.5, the Administrative Code of 1929, 71 P.S. §§ 532(a), 536, and 1403(a), and the Department of Health regulations at 28 Pa. Code §§ 27.60-27.68, the Secretary of the Pennsylvania Department of Health, Dr. Rachel Levine (“Secretary”), issued Orders that, *inter alia*, expanded the mask mandate¹ (hereinafter “Face Covering Order”) and imposed new COVID-19 testing and/or quarantine requirements for travel into the Commonwealth² (hereinafter “Travel Mitigation Order”);

WHEREAS, it is this Court’s interpretation is that the Sixth Judicial District of the Court of Common Pleas of Erie County, Pennsylvania and the Magisterial District Courts of Erie County, Pennsylvania, are not exempt from said Orders.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby **ORDERED, ADJUDGED** and **DECREED**, that effective November 20, 2020, the Sixth Judicial District of the Court of Common Pleas of Erie County, Pennsylvania, and any individuals (including but not limited to lawyers, litigants, witnesses, and others) having business in the Court shall comply with the guidelines set forth in the Secretary’s Orders of November 17, 2020. Therefore, if an individual has scheduled business with the Court during a quarantine period required by the Secretary’s 11/18/2020 Order (excluding individuals who produce a

¹ See “Updated Order of the Secretary of the Pennsylvania Department of Health Requiring Universal Face Coverings,” 11/17/2020.

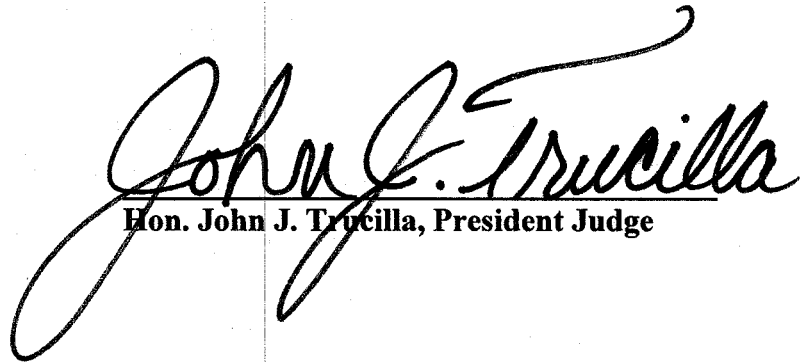
² See “Order of the Secretary of the Pennsylvania Department of Health for Mitigation Relating to Travel,” 11/17/2020.

valid negative COVID-19 test within the time period specified in the Secretary's Order), the individual is obligated to contact the chambers of the assigned Judge or the Court scheduling office to seek a continuance or alternative arrangements such as participation by teleconference and/or video conferencing if available.

ALL OTHER TERMS OF THE PRIOR JUDICIAL ORDERS AT THIS DOCKET NOT INCONSISTENT WITH THE ABOVE SHALL REMAIN IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT.

11-18-2020

Date


Hon. John J. Trucilla, President Judge

cc: Geoff Moulton, Esq., Court Administrator of Pennsylvania
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The Honorable Stephanie Domitrovich
The Honorable Elizabeth K. Kelly
The Honorable Daniel Brabender, Jr.
The Honorable John J. Mead
The Honorable Joseph M. Walsh, III
The Honorable Marshall J. Piccinini
The Honorable David G. Ridge
The Honorable Erin Connelly Marucci
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