## IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF HUNTINGDON COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

IN RE: Electronic Filing of Documents

CP-31-MD-82-2020

and Scheduling of Hearings During

AO-4-2020

Public Health Emergency

.

## **ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER**

AND NOW, this 16th day of March, 2020, in light of the COVID-19 outbreak in Pennsylvania and the resulting need for social distancing, as well as the potential requirement for infected persons to self-quarantine, the Court Orders as follows:

- The Court will remain open, however, all hearings and other
  proceedings scheduled before the Court of Common Pleas and
  Magisterial District Courts of the 20<sup>th</sup> Judicial District for the week of
  March 16, 2020, are hereby continued, and will be rescheduled by Court
  Administration.
- 2. All filings with the Prothonotary (civil matters), Clerk of Courts (criminal matters), and Clerk of the Orphans' Court (estates, trusts, guardianships, and adoptions) that would ordinarily be required to be made either in person or via U.S. Mail may be made via e-mail at the following addresses, respectively:
  - a. prothonotary-orders@huntingdoncounty.net
  - b. clerkofcourts@huntingdoncounty.net
  - c. orphans-court@huntingdoncounty.net
- 3. Each document filed shall be transmitted as a .pdf attachment. Scanned signatures will be accepted as originals. Each filing e-mail shall be copied to: (i) all persons to whom service copies would ordinarily be sent via U.S. Mail; (ii) Court Administration at ctadmin.orders@huntingdoncounty.net; and (iii) in the case of filings

The Original of the Document has been filed in the Office of the Prothonotary/Clerk of Court on

- Clerk at ssnare@huntingdoncounty.net and mrohrbaugh@huntingdoncounty.net, respectively.
- 4. The requirement for the immediate payment of filing fees will be suspended for all filings completed by e-mail under this Order. The Prothonotary, Clerk of Courts, and Clerk of the Orphans' Court shall keep a log of all filing fees owed, which shall be due and payable upon invoice after the termination of this Order.
- 5. The Prothonotary, Clerk of Courts, and Clerk of the Orphans' Court are hereby directed to monitor the inboxes for the above e-mail addresses regularly for the receipt of electronically filed documents. Upon receipt, the transmittal e-mail and all attached documents shall be printed and then filed as if received in hard copy, except that the notation "Filed under AO-4-2020" shall be added next to the time stamp.
- 6. This Administrative Order shall be effective immediately, and shall continue in effect until terminated by the Court.

BY THE COURT:

George N. Zanic, President Judge

C: Kay Coons, Prothonotary/Clerk of Courts
Virginia Cooper, Register & Recorder/Clerk of the Orphans' Court
Jeffrey E. Leonard, Sheriff
Duane Black, Warden
Leonard Hahn, Director, Probation Department
Kathy Richards, Director, Domestic Relations Section
David G. Smith, District Attorney
Fredrick Gutshall, Esq., Director, Office of Court Appointed Counsel
Shannon Walborn, Director, Department of Children and Youth
Angela J. Robinson, District Court Administrator
Huntingdon County Bar Association
Huntingdon County Commissioners