

1 **IN THE SUPREME COURT OF PENNSYLVANIA**

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4 In Re: 51<sup>ST</sup> Judicial District---Request for : No. \_\_\_\_\_ M 2020  
5 Emergency Judicial Order :  
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7 1. Michael A. George, President Judge of the 51<sup>st</sup> Judicial District, hereby requests the following  
8 relief by Order of the Supreme Court:

- 9 a. Authorize the president judge to declare a judicial emergency in this judicial district  
10 and take any actions authorized by Pa.R.J.A. No. 1952(B)(2).  
11 b. Suspend or modify statewide procedural or administrative rules in this judicial district  
12 as follows:

13 1. Suspend time calculations for the purposes of time computation within this  
14 judicial district related to the service of original process as described in  
15 Pa.R.C.P 401. Beginning date: July 14, 2020, 8:00 A.M, ending date August 3,  
16 2020, 8:00 A.M..

17 2. The circumstances necessitating this request for an emergency judicial order are as follows:

- 18 a. A nationwide pandemic involving the Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19);  
19 b. The continued judicial emergency in place in the 51<sup>st</sup> Judicial District, and  
20 c. The unavailability of the Adams County Sheriff's Office to currently perform service  
21 of original process due to an actual COVID-19 event impacting said office.

22 3. To the extent possible and practical under the circumstances, notice of this request for an  
23 emergency judicial order has been or will be posted in the courthouse and other judicial offices,  
24 posted on the county's website, provided to the Adams County Bar Association, submitted to  
25 the Administrative Office of Pennsylvania Courts for publication pursuant to Rule of Judicial

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Administration No. 1952(C)(5) and published in the Adams County Legal Journal.

4. Interested parties are advised that objections to any emergency judicial order issued by the Supreme Court should be transmitted to the Supreme Court Prothonotary.

BY THE COURT,



MICHAEL A. GEORGE

President Judge, 51<sup>st</sup> Judicial District

July 13, 2020