

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF ADAMS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

In Re: 2021 Court Scheduling

Supervisory Order  
No. 2021-SO- 15

**ORDER OF COURT**

AND NOW, this 8<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2021, pursuant to the authority granted by Pennsylvania Rule of Judicial Administration 1952, and in recognition that Adams County continues to experience a significantly high number of COVID-19 infections, it is hereby Ordered:

1. Supervisory Order No. 2020-SO-40 F entered on December 9, 2020, and extended by Supervisory Order No. 2020-SO-40 H, is hereby extended through April 30, 2021 at which time the provisions thereof shall automatically vacate unless otherwise vacated or extended by subsequent Order of Court. Accordingly, all provisions in the above-referenced Supervisory Orders scheduled to expire on February 26, 2021 are hereby extended through the close of business on April 30, 2021 unless otherwise modified hereinbelow;
2. April 1, 2021 Criminal Business is cancelled and rescheduled to March 29, 2021 at 8:30 a.m. in Courtroom No's. 1 and 2 of the Adams County Courthouse.  
The provisions of Supervisory Order No. 2020-SO-40 F as extended by this Order do not apply to proceedings currently scheduled for Criminal Business Court on February 8, 2021; March 18, 2021; or March 29, 2021;
3. Effective April 1, 2021, all custody conciliation hearings shall be held on Mondays from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and on the following Fridays between 9:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.: April 16, 2021; April 30, 2021; May 14, 2021; May 28, 2021; June 11, 2021; June 25, 2021; July 9, 2021; July 23, 2021; July 30, 2021; August 13, 2021; August 27, 2021; September 10, 2021; October 8, 2021; October 22, 2021; October 29, 2021; and November 12, 2021. All

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1 conciliation hearings shall be conducted in Courtroom No. 4 or  
2 Room 307B of the Adams County Courthouse unless alternative  
3 arrangements to conduct the proceeding by telephone/WebEx at a  
4 non-Courthouse location are established by the conciliator;

5 4. Effective April 1, 2021, all divorce master hearings shall be held on  
6 on Domestic Relations Court days as designated on the 2021  
7 Court Calendar and shall be held in Courtroom No. 3 of the Adams  
8 County Courthouse;

9 5. Arbitration hearings shall resume effective March 1, 2021 subject  
10 to the limitations set forth in Supervisory Order No. 2020-SO-40 F  
11 as extended by this Order; and

12 6. The limitations set forth in Supervisory Order No. 2020-SO-40 F as  
13 extended shall not apply to jury selection and jury trials occurring  
14 during the March 1, 2021 and April 5, 2021 Trial Terms. Adams  
15 County Court Administration is directed to establish procedures in  
16 compliance with current CDC guidelines to permit in-person jury  
17 selection and witness testimony. Jury trials shall remain closed to  
18 public attendance however members of the public, including the  
19 media, are permitted to observe the proceedings by advanced  
20 communication technology as arranged by Court Administration.  
21 Any person wishing to observe a jury trial must contact Court  
22 Administration one (1) business day prior to the proceeding in  
23 order for arrangements to be made to effectuate that person's  
24 observation by advanced communication technology. Court  
25 Administration may be contacted by leaving a detailed message at  
717-337-9846 requesting attendance of jury selection and/or jury  
trial. Failure to make prior arrangements to attend such  
proceeding will result in entry to the proceeding being denied. Any  
person permitted to observe a jury trial by advanced  
communication technology is prohibited from re-broadcasting,  
televising, recording, or photographing the proceeding. When a  
proceeding is being broadcast for purposes of observation, the

