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IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF MERCER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

IN RE: THIRTY-FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT :

EMERGENCY OPERATIONS :

No. 2020 - AD- 14

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

AND NOW, this 27th day of April, 2020, this Court's previous Administrative Orders at numbers 2020-AD-5, 2020-AD-6, 2020-AD-7, and 2020-AD-8, and civil docket number 2020-1220, are hereby amended to extend this emergency schedule through May 31, 2020 subject to further Order of Court. In addition thereto, the Court hereby adds the following essential cases as follows:

1. Arraignment courts starting with May 5, 2020, shall proceed. However, all arraignment courts will be held in either Courtroom No. 1 or 2. Waivers are encouraged to be obtained as much as possible. All attorneys, staff, defendants, and others shall practice social distancing and take all other recommended precautions. Defendants shall be encouraged to come alone. Advanced technology shall be utilized for all incarcerated defendants at time of arraignment.

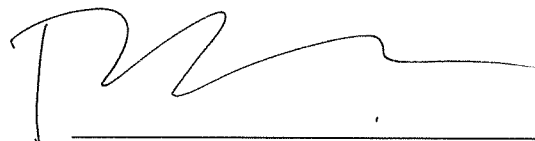
2. Register of Wills will begin probate estates by appointment only, one estate per appointment. Register of Wills will only permit the

Executor/Administrator with the presence of an attorney for said appointment. All renunciations, subscribing and non-subscribing witnesses must be notarized outside the office. All other filings must still be done by mail or email.

3. Appeal cases with the Domestic Relations Section can be added to non-support courts; however the total number of cases at any one time may not exceed a maximum number of ten (10) cases. Contempt cases will continue to be given priority. All attorneys, staff, defendants, and others shall practice social distancing and take all other recommended precautions.

4. Contempt, non-emergency special relief, and custody conferences in custody cases can be scheduled; however advanced technology shall be utilized as much as possible. All attorneys, staff, parties to the case, and others shall practice social distance and take all other recommended precautions.

BY THE COURT:



P.J.
Robert G. Yeatts, President Judge

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