

**IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF YORK COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

In Re: :  
19th Judicial District Emergency Judicial Order :  
: NO. 31 MM 2020  
:

**Request for Emergency Judicial Order**

And Now this 1<sup>st</sup> day of July, 2021, Maria Musti Cook, President Judge of the Nineteenth Judicial District, hereby requests the following relief by Order of the Supreme Court:

a. Acknowledge the prior declaration of judicial emergency in this judicial district through August 31, 2021.

b. Suspend or modify statewide procedural or administrative rules in this judicial district as follows:

1. Authorize the expanded use of advanced communication technology to conduct court proceedings through August 31, 2021, as follows: preliminary hearings, summary trials, sentencings, and probation/parole violation hearings.

2. Suspend the requirement of Pa.R.C.P. No. 1915.7 requiring written consent at custody conciliation conferences, and permit verbal

consent.

The circumstances necessitating this request for an emergency judicial order are as follows: Public health emergency in Pennsylvania involving exposure to COVID-19.

To the extent possible and practical under the circumstances, notice of this Request for Emergency Judicial order has been or will be:

- posted in the courthouse or other judicial office
- posted on the court's or county's website
- posted on the county bar association's website
- submitted to the Administrative Office of Pennsylvania Courts for Publication pursuant to Rule of Judicial Administration No. 1952(C)(5)

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

Dated: July 1, 2021

Respectfully submitted:



Maria Musti Cook, President Judge