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CUYAHOGA COUNTY  
CLERK OF COURTS

**IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS  
DOMESTIC RELATIONS DIVISION  
CUYAHOGA COUNTY, OHIO**

**In Re:**

**ORDER REGARDING CONTINUITY OF  
JUDICIAL OPERATIONS DUE TO  
COVID-19 PANDEMIC**

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**JOURNAL ENTRY**

The Judges of the Cuyahoga County Court of Common Pleas, Domestic Relations Division make the following findings of fact :

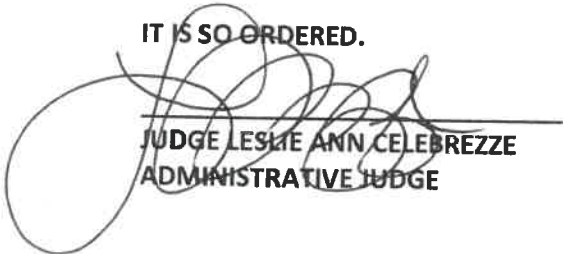
- 1) Consistent with the federal and state declarations of emergency due to the Covid-19 pandemic
- 2) As the virus continues to spread and impact Court operations, the health and safety of all employees and the community remain at risk.

**THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:**

- 1) All prior orders are incorporated within.
- 2) The local rules of court for the Domestic Relations Division may be temporarily adapted to allow court flexibility, within constitutional limits, in response to the public health emergency.
- 3) The Court's security policies may be temporarily amended or supplemented to protect public health while maintaining essential court functions.
- 4) The Court will evaluate all types of non-essential hearings or matters for participation via video or telephone.
- 5) The Court authorizes the use of audio-visual devices and technologies for all actions and proceedings.
- 6) The Court will have the lawful authority, within constitutional limits, to do and direct to be done all things necessary to ensure the orderly and efficient administration of justice for the duration of the declared public health emergency.
- 7) All individuals, including Court judicial officers and personnel, desiring to enter the courthouse will be subject to available health screening or testing and excluded from admission based upon the results of such screening or testing.

- 8) Based on recommendations from Responsible Restart Ohio, all individuals entering the courthouse must wear a face covering while they are in the courthouse and maintain good hygiene, including hand washing, sanitizing and social distancing.
- 9) When the emergency subsides, the Court will enter an order declaring and end to the emergency and a resumption of normal operations.
- 10) The period of reduced dockets, originally set to expire on May 8, 2020 at midnight shall be extended to May 29, 2020 at midnight. The Court will evaluate the effectiveness of the reduced dockets and may extend the period by further order if the Covid- 19 pandemic remains.
- 11) This Order shall be served on the Supreme Court of Ohio, Ohio Judicial Conference, Cuyahoga County Clerk of Courts, Cuyahoga County Sheriff, Cuyahoga County Board of Health , Cuyahoga County Executive, Cuyahoga County Council, the CMBA, the website of the Court, and distributed to the media.

IT IS SO ORDERED.



JUDGE LESLIE ANN CELEBREZZE  
ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE

5.4.2020  
DATED

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Cuyahoga County  
Clerk of Courts  
By [Signature] Deputy

The State of Ohio } I, The Clerk of the Court  
Cuyahoga County } ss. Of Common Pleas within  
And for said County

Hereby certify that the above and foregoing is truly  
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Now on file in my office  
Witness my hand and seal of said Court this 4th  
Day of May A.D. 20 20  
CUYAHOGA COUNTY CLERK OF COURTS  
By [Signature], Deputy