

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF FLORIDA, SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
IN AND FOR FLAGLER COUNTY

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Temporary Court Closures and Emergency Procedures (COVID-19)

In accordance with Chief Judge Zambrano's Administrative Order Z-2020-030 to limit court proceedings during the period of March 19 until April 6, the following procedures are in effect:

1. Only the following Court proceedings will be conducted as necessary through April 5, 2020:
  - a. First appearances;
  - b. Bond hearings;
  - c. Juvenile detention hearings;
  - d. Department of Children and Family Services sheltering of children;
  - e. Domestic violence, repeat violence, sexual violence and dating violence injunctions;
  - f. Risk protection orders;
  - g. Marchman Acts;
  - h. Baker Acts;
  - i. Family law cases where the safety of children is the issue;
  - j. Vulnerable Adult injunctions;
  - k. Incapacity petitions and appointment of guardians;
  - l. Requests for a "do not resuscitate" proceedings;
  - m. Search warrants and arrest warrants requests;
  - n. Violation of quarantine or isolation orders;
  - o. Violations of orders to limit travel;
  - p. Violation of orders to close public or private buildings;
  - q. Seizure of bodily fluids;
  - r. Mandatory vaccinations proceedings;
  - s. Enforcement of curfew orders;
  - t. All extraordinary writs.

**ALL OTHER COURT PROCEEDINGS ARE HEREBY CANCELLED AND WILL BE RESCHEDULED.**

2. First appearances will be conducted using Zoom, starting at 8:30 each morning. Appointment of the Office of the Public Defender at First Appearance shall constitute a provisional appointment of that office for all purposes up to and including the Arraignment.
3. Inmates will NOT be transported to Court except by specific Order.
4. All Flagler County juvenile shelter and juvenile detention hearings will take place "in-person" at the Volusia County Branch Jail at 8:30 a.m., when necessary.
5. Any hearings deemed necessary by the presiding judge concerning those matters identified in paragraph 1 above will be conducted using Zoom, to the extent feasible. Such hearings shall be conducted immediately following First Appearances each morning. Limited admission to the courtroom may be permitted by the presiding judge to media, witnesses, parties and attorneys for their proceeding only. For the safety of the bar, litigants, witnesses, court staff and the Court, attorneys are strongly encouraged to download Zoom, a free and readily available software, to participate in all court proceedings.

6. Court proceedings will be cancelled, postponed and rescheduled in accordance with these procedures and the Kim C. Hammond Justice Center will be closed to the general public during this emergency except for the limited purposes of paying child support, court costs, traffic fines or fees; filing injunctions; recording documents; obtaining marriage licenses and requesting emergency relief from the Court.
7. The Flagler County Sherriff's Office is hereby directed to permit limited public access to Court facilities to those individuals having specific business with the Courts as provided in paragraphs 5 and 6 above.

Dated this 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 2020.



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TERENCE R. PERKINS  
ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE, FLAGLER COUNTY