

VIRGINIA: IN THE JUVENILE AND DOMESTIC RELATIONS DISTRICT COURT OF THE CITY OF VIRGINIA BEACH

ORDER

Upon a State of Emergency declared by both the President of the United States and the Governor of Virginia, a Supreme Court of Virginia Order Declaring a Judicial Emergency, and upon consideration of guidelines issued relative to public safety by Federal, State and Local agencies due to the COVID-19 pandemic, it is

ORDERED pursuant to the Supreme Court of Virginia's Order Declaring a Judicial Emergency and §16.1-69.35(5), limited access to the court will continue through June 7, 2020. All cases are hereby continued with the exception of the following cases:

- a. Arraignments and bond motions for incarcerated adults on criminal cases and contempt proceedings;
- b. Detention hearings for juveniles securely detained and in less secure facilities;
- c. Abuse & Neglect hearings requesting Emergency Removal Orders and Preliminary Child Protective Orders and 5-day hearings for these cases;
- d. Preliminary Protective Order requests and two-year Protective Order hearings;
- e. Emergency Custody motions;
- f. Guilty pleas, no contest pleas or where the disposition or sentencing is agreed to by all parties. The parties shall submit a written plea agreement signed by the Commonwealth Attorney, defense counsel and defendant along with a Notice of Hearing. If the defendant is being held in jail, the plea agreement shall include language that the defendant consents to entering a plea via video. The Notice shall include an agreed upon date for the hearing.;
- g. Any agreements or consent orders for civil cases may be submitted to the Court for entry;
- h. Any agreements or consent orders for motions to nolle prosequere, dismiss, or dismiss due to compliance may be submitted to the Court for entry; and
- i. Motions for Remote Hearing may be filed for any initial civil case and/or civil motion scheduled between March 17, 2020 and June 5, 2020. This does not include contested cases or motions that involve witnesses other than the parties and the

attorneys. The Motion for Remote Hearing must be completed in its entirety and is found on the court's website.

All currently scheduled adjudicatory, preliminary or dispositional hearings for any incarcerated defendant or juvenile in detention or less secure will be held as a review of bond or detention status hearing.

Whenever possible these hearings will be conducted by video or telephonically or based on the pleadings alone.

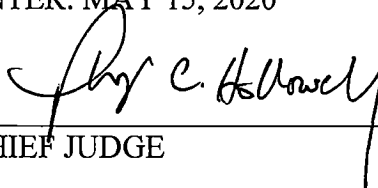
Agreed or consent orders may be filed with an electronic signature.

The Clerk's Office will begin accepting petitions filed through Intake by appointment on May 26, 2020.

The Court will notice parties on contested cases scheduled between March 17, 2020 and June 5, 2020 that have yet to be rescheduled for docket call on June 12 or 19, 2020. Parties must submit available dates or appear in person.

The Clerk's Office will be accessible by telephone (757-385-4391) and email (vabjdr@vacourts.gov) Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Emails will be replied to within one (1) business day.

ENTER: MAY 15, 2020



CHIEF JUDGE