VIRGINIA: IN THE GENERAL DISTRICT COURT FOR THE CITY OF LYNCHBURG

ORDER

In order to encourage order, respect and dignity for the proceedings in the General District Court which will foster a dignified, professional and safe environment for all parties who conduct business with this Court, I do hereby order the following dress code, EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY, and to remain in effect unless modified by a subsequent Court Order. The Court expects and appreciates full cooperation of the public and officers of the Court with the terms of this Order.

All persons involved in matters before the General District Court are required to dress in a respectful and appropriate manner, indicative of the setting and dignity of the court proceedings, but is not limited to the following guidelines:

No halter tops, tank tops, sleeveless shirts, shorts, exposed underwear, flip flops, bedroom slippers, body suits, bathing suits or sunglasses.

No clothing with rude, obscene, vulgar, profanity, racist, sexist, gang-related, drug or alcohol related words or pictures.

Pants are to be worn at the waistline.

Backs, buttocks, midriffs and stomachs are to be covered at all times.

With the exception for medical or religious reasons, no hats, bandanas, or head scarves of any type or masks may be worn.

No drinks, food or chewing gum are allowed in the courtroom.

All cell phones must be turned off.

Failure to comply with this Court Order may result in not being allowed admission into the Courthouse, being held in contempt of a Court Order or in any other manner deemed appropriate by the presiding Judge.

Entered this 14th day of August, 2025.

Stephanie S. Maddox, Judge