## VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF PULASKI COUNTY

## IN RE: DEFERRAL OF COURT FINES & COSTS DURING INCARCERATION

This day came the Court, on its own motion, to advise in writing, and directs that the Clerk of this Court shall enforce the following procedures for collecting fines, costs, restitution, and any other costs charged to the Defendant in a criminal matter. This procedure shall become effective on July 1, 2024.

- 1. Defendant's accounts shall be deferred during their incarceration, unless specifically otherwise Ordered. This deferral shall not exceed 20 years.
- 2. Defendants ordered to pay restitution through an agreement at sentencing pursuant to Virginia Code §19.2-305.1, are subject to the terms of the restitution payment agreement.
- 3. Defendants are required to make payments in full or enter into an installment payment agreement with the Clerk of this Court, within 30 days of sentencing or prior to the end of the incarceration status.
- 4. The Clerk of this Court shall notify the defendant after sentencing, pursuant to Virginia Code §19.2-354 of the number of fines, costs, and restitution due. The Clerk of this Court shall send a notice of delinquent fines and costs due stating when the account is to become delinquent and subject to collection at the end of the deferral status.
- 5. Defendants are required to promptly inform this Court of any change in mailing addresses.
- 6. This Order shall not affect any deferral by previous Order or any installment agreement currently in place.
- 7. Unpaid balances are reported to the Department of Taxation for Set-off Debt Collection. This may lead to income garnishments and tax return garnishments.
- 8. If your sole financial resource is a Social Security benefit or Supplemental Security Income, then you are not required to pay until you have another resource or income. As long as your sole income remains unchanged, your account will not go to collections. Any restitution/restitution interest that you may have been ordered to pay is not included in this exemption of payment and is due as the Court ordered.
- 9. The Clerk of the Circuit Court and his deputies shall have the discretion to adjust the payment plan accordingly and shall, pursuant to the requirements of the Rule and Code, take into account the defendant's financial obligations, including the defendant's indigence, as well as fines, costs, and restitution the defendant owes in other courts.

10-04-24 (nunc protunc to 7-1-34)

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Bradley W. Finch, Judge