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IN THE COMMON PLEAS COURT OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY, OHIO

**ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER RE: GENERAL
DIVISION OPERATIONS DURING COVID-19
PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY**

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

IT APPEARING TO THE COURT that on March 16, 2020, it issued an Entry and Order suspending all jury trials for a period of thirty (30) days, until April 15, 2020, due to the public health emergency created by the COVID-19 public health emergency; and

IT FURTHER APPEARING TO THE COURT that on April 6, 2020, it issued an Entry and Order continuing its suspension of jury trials for an additional thirty (30) days, until May 15, 2020, due to the continuing public health emergency; and

IT FURTHER APPEARING TO THE COURT that on May 12, 2020, it issued an Administrative Order continuing its suspension of jury trials through May 31, 2020, again, due to the continuing public health emergency; and

IT FURTHER APPEARING TO THE COURT that in response to the COVID-19 public health emergency, it wishes to continue to protect the health and safety of all persons participating in matters before the court, including litigants, attorneys, jurors, witnesses, law enforcement personnel, members of the public, and representatives of the media, as well as members of court staff; and

UPON DUE CONSIDERATION OF THE FOREGOING, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, by unanimous consent of the eleven judges of the Montgomery County Common Pleas Court, General Division, that its Administrative Order of May 12, 2020, suspending all jury trials until 11:59 p.m. on May 31, 2020, is extended for an additional thirty (30) days to 11:59 p.m. on June 30, 2020, except that jury trials may be conducted when unique and unavoidable circumstances are presented and considered

on a case-by-case basis, including speedy trial provisions, in which case a judge shall determine whether such trials will proceed, provided the judge follows the court's full and conscientious COVID-19 mitigation protocols, including the enhanced cleaning and sanitation of court facilities, the personal hygiene of all participants, and consideration of other public health protocols.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Gregory F. Singer", is written over a horizontal line.

Gregory F. Singer, Administrative Judge