

IN THE PERRY COUNTY COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
GENERAL DIVISION

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**TEMPORARY ORDER IN RESPONSE TO THE COVID-19
(CORONAVIRUS) PUBLIC HEALTH CRISIS**

TIMOTHY J WOLLENBERG
CLERK OF COURT

On March 9, 2020, Ohio Governor Mike DeWine issued Executive Order 2020-01D "Declaring a State of Emergency" in response to the growing COVID-19 public health crisis.

On March 11, 2020 the World Health Organization officially declared COVID-19 to be a global "pandemic" requiring "urgent and aggressive action" to control the spread of the virus.

Based upon the foregoing, the Perry County Court of Common Pleas, General Division, has developed a continuum of flexible responses to protect public health, to maintain essential court functions, and to continue to protect the rights of all individuals subject to the authority of the Court.

THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED: effective immediately and until April 1, 2020 or further Order:

1. The General Division Local Rules of Court may be temporarily adapted to allow Court flexibility, within Constitutional limits, in response to the public emergency.
2. The public health emergency may be considered to be a finding of good cause for continuances deemed necessary by the Judge on a case-by-case basis.
3. All pretrials (and status conference in domestic cases) shall be conducted by telephone.

4. Anyone currently on probation or pretrial release shall report to the Probation Department by telephone,

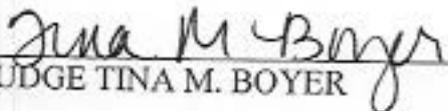
5. All appearances for Court are limited to the Plaintiff, Defendant, Attorneys, victims and witnesses for the case. If you do not have business with the Court, you will not be permitted in the Common Pleas Court, General Division.

6. Jury Trials are suspended unless there is a right to a speedy trial issue.

7. Grand Jury session is suspended.

8. The Court will have the lawful authority, within constitutional limits, to do and direct to be done all things necessary to ensure the orderly and efficient administration of justice for the duration of the declared public health emergency.

IT IS SO ORDERED.


JUDGE TINA M. BOYER