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IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
ASHTABULA COUNTY, OHIO
JUVENILE DIVISION

ALBERT S. CAMPLESE
JUVENILE JUDGE

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| In Re: |) | Case No: 2020 JK 03 |
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| ORDER DECLARING A JUDICIAL EMERGENCY |) | |
| AND CONTINUITY OF OPERATIONS OF |) | <u>JOURNAL ENTRY</u> |
| THE COURT DUE TO COVID-19 PANDEMIC |) | |
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| [Sixth Addendum re: Court procedures and rules] |) | |

The Ashtabula County Common Pleas Court, Juvenile Division [hereinafter "Juvenile Court"], provides the following information, and temporarily modifies routine Court procedures and Local Rules of Court as follows:

The Court further finds the Ashtabula County Juvenile Court is now able to safely restore certain aspects of normal court operations due to the public health concerns identified in previously issued COVID-19 orders and directives. All orders previously issued by this Court pursuant to authority conferred by this Court's *Order Declaring a Judicial Emergency and Continuity of Operations of the Court Due to COVID-19 Pandemic Judgment Entry*, filed March 17, 2020 should be extended, and remain in effect, unless otherwise modified herein.

1. The court remains **OPEN WITH RESTRICTIONS**. Any individual entering the Juvenile Court for any reason authorized by this Court's prior orders must wear a face covering while conducting business in, on and about the Juvenile Court. All persons shall allow their temperature to be taken, and shall fill-out a Health/COVID-19 symptom questionnaire before entering the clerk's area or courtroom(s) of the Juvenile Court. Any person with business before the court must wait in the public hallway or the parking lot of the juvenile court as directed by security personnel or clerk and/or until a courtroom is available. Each person shall be provided a "beeper" device by security personnel or clerk which shall be used to summon the individual into the courthouse facility when his/her matter is

ready to proceed. The "beeper" device will signal with an audible tone, flashing lights or both.

2. Those Access to a courtroom shall be restricted to parties, attorneys and necessary witnesses. **No observers or guests shall be permitted access without express prior approval.** Payments to the court must be in exact cash, money order or credit card. Juvenile Court employees shall wear a face covering during the duration of his/her interaction with any person conducting business with the court. All parties are required to maintain safe hygiene practices, to wit: regular hand washing, sanitizing and social distancing.

3. **FAMILY DRUG COURT [FDC]**

Commencing April 9, 2021, the Family Drug Court Specialized Docket [hereinafter [hereinafter "FDC"] shall resume its regular weekly FDC hearings "**In-Person**" at the Ashtabula County Juvenile Court each Friday commencing at 10:00 o'clock a.m.

- a. **Treatment Team**

Treatment team members shall be required to provide written client updates to the FDC Coordinator no later than Thursday at Noon via email or facsimile.

Treatment team shall continue to meet via the *Whereby* video application on Fridays **between the hours of 9:00 o'clock a.m. and 10:00 o'clock a.m.** Each member of the treatment team shall provide the FDC coordinator with an email address, and all other necessary contact information.

- b. **FDC Participants**

- i. FDC participants shall be required to attend each FDC session "In-Person," and shall be required to be present in the courthouse facility, or on the courthouse grounds if directed, no later than 9:50 o'clock a.m. on the day of a scheduled FDC session.

- ii. To facilitate the Court's continued return to normal operations, the FDC Coordinator and/or Court Administrator shall be authorized to determine whether one or two FDC hearings shall be conducted each Friday, e.g.: a single 10:00 o'clock a.m. hearing, or a 10:00 o'clock a.m. hearing and an 11:00 o'clock a.m. hearing. If two hearings are conducted, the FDC Coordinator, or Court Administrator, shall be responsible to assign each FDC participant a hearing time.
- iii. All other requirements of the FDC program shall remain unaffected at this time; however, the FDC Coordinator shall notify each participant of any further changes as soon as is practicable.

4. SUBJECT TO FURTHER MODIFICATION

This order shall be, and hereby is, remains subject to further modification.

5. SERVICE OF JUDGMENT ENTRY

This "Temporary Order" is ordered to be served on the Supreme Court of Ohio, Ashtabula and Lake County Bar Associations, Ashtabula County Prosecutor's Office, Ashtabula County Public Defender's Office; Ashtabula County Children Services Board, Cadence Care Network, Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities, FDC Coordinator, all FDC participants and FDC treatment team members and the media. A copy of this judgment shall be conspicuously posted in the Juvenile Court Clerk's Office, and shall be published on the website of the Juvenile Court.

IT IS SO ORDERED.



JUDGE ALBERT S. CAMPLESE
ASHTABULA COUNTY COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
JUVENILE DIVISION