

## SECOND AMENDED ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER SIXTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Pursuant to the authority vested in me, and in accordance with the recent operational protocols issued by the Chief Administrative Judge for the trial courts of the Unified Court System, I hereby order that effective immediately the following rules be put into effect in the Sixth Judicial District until rescinded.

As hereinafter used, "Assigned Judge" shall refer to the judge assigned to hear the case on and before March 16, 2020. "Designated Judge" shall refer to the judge assigned to hear the case pursuant to this Order (Attachment B). "Essential Staff" shall refer to chambers staff of Designated Judges, chambers staff of additional judges as designated by the Administrative Judge and non-judicial staff as designated by the District Executive.

#### A. General matters and matters applicable to more than one case type

- 1. Pending eviction proceedings are stayed; no eviction orders shall be signed or served. Reference is made to Executive Order 202.8 signed by the Governor on March 20, 2020 with regard to eviction matters.
- 2. No default judgments shall be granted.
- 3. All Family Court and all County Court Judges are cross assigned to the County and Family Courts in all counties of the District.
- 4. All Court proceedings will occur in the locations described in Attachment A and presided over by the judges listed in Attachment B unless otherwise approved by the Administrative Judge.
- 5. Maximum occupancy of ALL courtrooms, waiting rooms and meeting rooms in Court Facilities and other rooms where court functions occur shall conform to current recommendations, which is the lesser of 10 people or ½ the posted room occupancy per code. All room occupants shall remain six feet apart.
- 6. Naturalization Ceremonies, wherever they occur, shall comply with the room occupancy limits stated herein.
- 7. After 5:00 PM on March 16, 2020 only Designated Judges and Essential Staff may report to the courthouse for work unless approved by the Administrative Judge.
- 8. All deadlines established per judicial directive (including those contained in scheduling orders, service dates and "local rules") that occur during the pendency of this Administrative Order shall be extended for a period of 90 days from the date of the stated deadline, unless further application is made (reference is made to Administrative Order A0/71/20 signed by the Chief Administrative Judge of the Courts on March 19, 2020 as it relates to civil litigation. Further reference is made to

Executive Order 202.8 signed by the Governor on March 20, 2020 with regard to statutory deadlines and time frames.

- 9. All Temporary Orders of Protection issued in any criminal or civil matter that has expired or was due to expire on or after March 19, 2020 "shall be extended under the same terms and conditions until the date the matter is re-calendared and heard, unless the order is sooner terminated or modified by a judge or justice of the court that issued the order" pursuant to Administrative Order A0/73/20 signed by the Chief Administrative Judge of the Courts on March 19, 2020.
- 10. All vouchers submitted pursuant to County Law § 722-b(4) and Family Court Act §§ 243(c), 245(c) are deemed approved pursuant to the Order signed by the Administrative Judge of the Sixth Judicial District dated March 20, 2020.
- 11. "All individuals seeking legal representation pursuant to Article 18-B of the County Law shall be deemed eligible, regardless of financial ability to obtain counsel" pursuant to the Order signed by the Administrative Judge of the Sixth Judicial District dated March 20, 2020.

# **B.** Supreme Civil

- 1. All non-essential matters are administratively adjourned until a date on or after April 30, 2020 (to be determined by the Assigned or Designated Judge Essential Staff shall be responsible for notifying attorneys or pro-se litigants of the adjourned dates).
- 2. All civil trials that have commenced may continue.
- 3. "Essential matters" are those listed in Exhibit A attached to Administrative Order AO/78/20 signed by the Chief Administrative Judge of the Courts on March 22, 2020 and as amended hereafter and any other matter determined to be essential after application by the Assigned Justice or Designated Justice to the Administrative Judge.
- 4. All Mental Hygiene Law proceedings in which a party is confined to a hospital or other facility shall be conducted with appearances by means of remote audiovisual technology or telephone pursuant to Administrative Order AO/72/20 signed by the Chief Administrative Judge of the Courts on March 22, 2020.
- 5. All foreclosure proceedings are stayed; no foreclosure auctions shall be scheduled or held. Reference is made to Executive Order 202.8 signed by the Governor on March 20, 2020 with regard to foreclosures.

# C. Superior Court Criminal Cases

- 1. Any trial in which jeopardy has attached will continue.
- All non-essential matters are administratively adjourned until a date on or after April 30, 2020 (for defendants not in custody) or on or after April 15, 2020 (for defendants in custody). The adjourned date shall be determined by the Assigned or Designated Judge - Essential Staff shall be responsible for notifying attorneys or pro-se litigants of the adjourned date.
- 3. "Essential matters" are those listed in Exhibit A attached to Administrative Order A0/78/20 signed by the Chief Administrative Judge of the Courts on March 22, 2020 and as amended hereafter and any other matters determined to be essential after application by the Assigned Judge or Designated Judge to the Supervising Judge. The

Supervising Judge, in consultation with the Administrative Judge, shall permit a matter to proceed if warranted.

- 4. "Grand juries set to be impaneled within terms four and five of the courts for the year 2020 shall be postponed." Currently seated grand juries "may continue, upon application of the appropriate district attorney to the administrative judge" pursuant to Administrative Order AO/77/20 signed by Deputy Chief Administrative Judge Vito Caruso on March 21, 2020.
- 5. The Accessible Magistrate procedure (for Adolescent Offenders) currently in place shall continue.

#### **D. Treatment Courts/OSP**

- **1.** Treatment courts and Opioid Stabilization Parts will be handled by the designated City Court Judge or the designated County or Family Court Judge.
- 2. Treatment courts will continue to the extent appearances are deemed essential in acute cases by the designated judge after application to the Coordinating Judge of Treatment Courts. The Coordinating Judge of Treatment Courts, after consultation with the Administrative Judge, shall permit a matter to proceed if warranted. All calendars and appearances shall be staggered so as to comply with room occupancy requirements as stated above.
- 3. Essential Staff designated to work in these Courts shall be responsible for notifying attorneys or pro-se defendants of the adjourned dates.

## E. Family Court

- 1. All non-essential matters are administratively adjourned until a date on or after April 30, 2020 (to be determined by the Assigned or Designated Judge Essential Staff shall be responsible for notifying attorneys or pro-se litigants of the adjourned dates).
- 2. "Essential matters" are those listed in Exhibit A attached to Administrative Order AO/78/20 signed by the Chief Administrative Judge of the Courts on March 22, 2020 and as amended hereafter, and any other matters determined to be essential after application by the Designated Judge to the Supervising Judge. The Supervising Judge, in consultation with the Administrative Judge, shall permit a matter to proceed if warranted.
- 3. All remand/removal/placement orders issued in the 6<sup>th</sup> Judicial District under Family Court Act Articles 3, 6, 7, 8 and 10 that are due to expire while this Administrative Order is in effect, shall be deemed extended under the same terms and conditions for a period of 90 days from the date the order is scheduled to expire, unless the order is terminated or modified by the Designated Judge or Assigned Judge. To the extent practicable, the Designated Judge or Assigned Judge shall issue an amended order and the lawyers and pro-se litigants notified.
- 4. Notwithstanding any Family Court or Supreme Court Orders to the contrary, during the pendency of the State of Emergency regarding the COVID-19 pandemic declared by Governor Cuomo under Executive Order 202 and as amended by subsequent Executive Orders, all county social services departments within the Sixth Judicial

District, to the degree permissible by law, shall have the discretion to immediately suspend and/or modify court-ordered supervised visitation schedules. However, whenever such discretion is exercised, the social services department shall file an application for review, via order to show cause, within five (5) days of such suspension or modification. Such discretion shall continue until such time as this Administrative Order is amended or rescinded.

#### F. Surrogate's Court

- All non-essential matters are administratively adjourned until a date on or after April 30, 2020 (to be determined by the assigned or designated judge - Essential Staff shall be responsible for notifying attorneys or pro-se litigants of the adjourned dates).
- "Essential matters" are those listed in Exhibit A attached to Administrative Order A0/78/20 signed by the Chief Administrative Judge of the Courts on March 22, 2020 and other matters as determined to be essential after application by the Surrogate to the Administrative Judge.

## G. City Court

- 1. All non-essential matters are administratively adjourned until a date on or after April 30, 2020 (for defendants not in custody and for civil matters) or on or after April 15, 2020 (for defendants in custody). The adjourned date shall be determined by the Assigned or Designated judge Essential Staff shall be responsible for notifying attorneys or pro-se litigants of the adjourned date.
- 2. "Essential matters" are those listed in Exhibit A attached to Administrative Order A0/78/20 signed by the Chief Administrative Judge of the Courts on March 22, 2020 and as amended hereafter and any matter deemed to be essential after application by the Designated Judge to the Supervising Judge. The Supervising Judge, in consultation with the Administrative Judge, shall permit a matter to proceed if warranted.

## H. Town and Village Courts

- 1. All non-essential matters are administratively adjourned until a date on or after April 30, 2020 (for defendants not in custody and for civil matters) or on or after April 15, 2020 (for defendants in custody). The adjourned date shall be determined by the Assigned or Designated Judge Town and Village staff shall be responsible for notifying attorneys or pro-se litigants/defendants of the adjourned dates.
- 2. "Essential matters" are those listed in Exhibit A attached to Administrative Order A0/78/20 signed by the Chief Administrative Judge of the Courts on March 22, 2020 and as amended hereafter and any matter deemed to be essential after application by the Designated Judge to the Supervising Judge. The Supervising Judge, in consultation with the Administrative Judge, shall permit a matter to proceed if warranted.
- 3. Any matter scheduled prior to 5:00 PM on March 16, 2020 shall be adjourned to a date on or after April 30, 2020 using the Court notification system. Town and Village personnel should post a sign indicating that defendants should check back with the Court after April 30, 2020.

- 4. Immediate Arraignments that occur during the hours of court operations shall occur in the locations described in Attachment A before the designated County Court Judge.
- 5. After hours arraignments in counties without a CAP Court, shall be heard either before a town or village justice in the local town or village court facilities.
- 6. After hours arraignments in counties with a CAP court, shall be heard before a CAP judge at the CAP court facility, unless the CAP court has suspended operations, in which case those matters will be heard in the appropriate town and village courts.
- 7. After hours arraignments in cities with a city court, but which do not have a CAP Court or where the CAP court facility has suspended operations, may be heard before a city court judge in city court facility.

Dated: March 25, 2020 Binghamton, New York

Hon/Eugene D. Faughnan, J.S.C. Administrative Judge Sixth Judicial District

Distribution: HON. VITO CARUSO, DCAJ

# Attachment "A"

6<sup>th</sup> District Designated Court Location for Emergency Proceedings

- Broome County Court and Binghamton City Court: Broome County Annex County and Family Court Building 65 Hawley St. Binghamton, NY
- Chemung County Court and Elmira City Court: Chemung County Justice Building
   203-209 William St. Elmira, NY
- Chenango County Court and Norwich City Court: Eaton Center
   13 Eaton Ave. Norwich, NY
- Cortland County Court and Cortland City Court: Courtland County Courthouse
   46 Greenbush St. Cortland, NY
- Delaware County Court: Delaware County Courthouse
   3 Court St. Delhi, NY
- Madison County Court and Oneida City Court: Madison County Courthouse
   138 North Court St. Wampsville, NY

- Otsego County Court and Oneonta City Court: Otsego County Office Building 197 Main St. Cooperstown, NY
- Schuyler County Court: Schuyler County Courthouse
   105 Ninth St. Watkins Glen, NY
- 9. Tioga County Court:
  Tioga County Court Annex Building
  20 Court St. Owego, NY
- 10. Tompkins County Court and Ithaca City Court:

Tompkins County Courthouse 320 N. Tioga St. Ithaca, NY

# Attachment "B"

# 6<sup>th</sup> District Coverage of Court Parts for the Designated Court Location for Emergency Proceedings

- 1. <u>Broome County Court and Binghamton City Court</u> (week of 3/17/2020):
  - Supreme Court: Judge Faughnan and Judge Guy (as needed)
    - o Judge Tait and Judge Blaise to rotate in the following weeks
  - County Court and T&V Court: Judge Dooley
    - o Judge Cawley to rotate in the following weeks
  - Family Court: Judge Pines
    - o Judge Connerton and Judge Young to rotate in the following weeks
  - Surrogate Court: Judge Guy (on call as needed)
  - City Court: Judge Cocchiola (on call for Youth Part as needed)
    - o Judge Pelella and Judge Seiden to rotate in the following weeks
  - Drug Court: Judge Pelella (on call as needed)
  - IDV Court: Judge Seiden (on call as needed)
  - Support Court: SM Monachino (as needed)
    - o SM Pogson to rotate in the following weeks
- 2. Chemung County Court and Elmira City Court (week of 3/17/2020):
  - Supreme Court: Judge Baker (as needed)
    - o Judge Rich as backup
  - County Court and T&V Court: Judge Rich (on call for Youth Part as needed)
    - o Judge Hayden as backup
  - Family Court: Judge Tarantelli
    - o Judge Rich as backup
  - Surrogate Court: Judge Baker (on call as needed)
    - o Judge Rich as backup
  - City Court: Judge Forrest
    - o Judge Campanella to rotate in the following weeks
  - Drug Court: Judge Forrest (on call as needed)
  - DV Court: Judge Campanella (on call as needed)
  - Support Court: SM Mattison (as needed)
- 3. Chenango County Court and Norwich City Court (week of 3/17/2020):
  - Supreme Court: Judge McBride (as needed)
  - County Court: Judge Revoir
    - o Judge Genute as backup
  - Family Court: Judge Revoir (on call for Youth Part as needed)
    - o Judge Genute as backup
  - Surrogate Court: Judge Revoir (on call as needed)
  - City Court and T&V Court: Judge Genute

- o Judge Flanagan to rotate in the following weeks
- Drug Court: Judge Genute (on call as needed)
- Support Court: SM Dunshee (as needed)
- 4. Cortland County Court and Cortland City Court (week of 3/17/2020):
  - Supreme Court: Judge Masler (as needed)
  - County Court: Judge Alexander
    - o Judge Campbell to rotate in the following weeks
    - o Judge Campbell to complete Jury Trial the week of 3/16/2020
  - Family Court: Judge Alexander
    - o Judge Campbell to rotate in the following weeks (on call for Youth Part as needed)
  - Surrogate Court: Judge Alexander (on call as needed)
    - o Judge Campbell to rotate in the following weeks (as needed)
  - City Court and T&V Court: Judge Burns
    - o Judge Knickerbocker to rotate in the following weeks
  - Drug Court: Judge Burns (on call as needed)
  - IDV Court: Judge Campbell (as needed)
  - Support Court: SM Hinchcliff (as needed)
- 5. Delaware County Court (week of 3/17/2020):
  - Supreme Court: Judge Northrup (as needed)
  - County Court and T&V Court: Judge Northrup
    - o Judge Rosa as backup
  - Family Court: Judge Rosa (on call for Youth Part as needed)
    - o Judge Northrup as backup
  - Surrogate Court: Judge Northrup (on call as needed)
  - Drug Court: Rosa (on call as needed)
  - Support Court: SM Brown (as needed)
- 6. Madison County Court and Oneida City Court (week of 3/17/2020):
  - Supreme Court: Judge Cerio (as needed)
  - County Court and T&V Court: Judge St. Leger
    - o Judge O'Sullivan to rotate in the following weeks
  - Family Court: Judge O'Sullivan (on call for Youth Part as needed)
    - o Judge St. Leger to rotate in the following weeks
  - Surrogate Court: Judge O'Sullivan (on call as needed)
    - o Judge St. Leger to rotate in the following weeks
  - City Court: Judge Misiaszek
    - o Judge Betro to rotate in the following weeks
  - Drug Court: Judge Cerio and Judge O'Sullivan (as needed)
  - Support Court: SM Dexter (as needed)

- 7. Otsego County Court and Oneonta City Court (week of 3/17/2020):
  - Supreme Court: Judge Coccoma (as needed)
  - County Court and T&V Court: Judge Burns and Judge Lambert alternating schedule
  - Family Court: Judge Burns and Judge Lambert alternating schedule (on call for Youth Part as needed)
  - Surrogate Court: Judge Burns and Judge Lambert alternating schedule (on call as needed)
  - City Court: Judge Bernier
    - o Judge Schwartz to rotate in the following weeks
  - Drug Court and IDV Court: Judge Burns (on call as needed) Judge Lambert (as needed)
  - Support Court: SM Brown (as needed)
- 8. Schuyler County Court (week of 3/17/2020):
  - Supreme Court: Judge Baker (as needed)
  - County Court and T&V Court: Judge Baker
    - o Judge Hayden as backup
  - Family Court: Judge Hayden
    - Judge Rich as backup (on call for Youth Part as needed)
  - Surrogate Court: Judge Hayden (on call as needed)
  - Drug Court: Judge Baker (on call as needed)
  - Support Court: SM Mattison (as needed)
- 9. Tioga County Court (week of 3/17/2020):
  - Supreme Court: Judge Keene (as needed)
  - County Court and T&V Court: Judge Keene
  - Family Court: Judge Keene (on call for Youth Part as needed)
  - Surrogate Court: Judge Keene (on call as needed)
    - Judge Hayden as back for Keene for all court types
  - Drug Court: Judge Keene (on call as needed)
  - Support Court: SM Testa-Ciccone (as needed)
- 10. Tompkins County Court and Ithaca City Court (week of 3/17/2020):
  - Supreme Court: Judge Cassidy (as needed)
    - o Judge Rowley as backup
    - County Court: Judge Cassidy (on call for Youth Part as needed)
      - o Judge Miller and Judge Rowley to rotate in
  - Family Court: Judge Miller
    - o Judge Cassidy and Judge Rowley to rotate in
  - Surrogate Court: Judge Miller (on call as needed)
    - o Judge Cassidy and Judge Rowley to rotate in
  - Drug Court, IDV Court: Judge Rowley, Judge Cassidy, Judge Wallace (as needed)

- City Court and T&V Court: Judge Peacock

J

- o Judge Wallace to rotate in the following weeks.
- Mental Health Court: Judge Peacock (on call as needed)
- Support Court: SM Scheer (as needed)