

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA



COUNTY OF LAWRENCE

53RD JUDICIAL DISTRICT
MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE
COURT 53-0-00
202 MILTON ST.
NEW CASTLE, PA 16101

DATE: MARCH 17, 2020

RE: MODIFIED COURT FUNCTIONS DUE TO COVID-19

TO: ALL MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT COURT OFFICES

FROM: CENTRAL COURT ADMINISTRATOR LINDA ABRAHAM

DUE TO CURRENT CIRCUMSTANCES CENTRAL COURT WILL BE STAGGERING THE SCHEDULE UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE TO COMPLY WITH THE MODIFICATIONS TO COURT FUNCTIONS DUE TO COVID-19 PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY AND TO LIMIT THE AMOUNT OF CASE PARTICIPANTS AT ONE TIME.

ALL CASES FROM JUDGE AMODIE'S COURT WILL CONTINUE TO BE SCHEDULED FOR 9:30 A.M.

ALL CASES FROM JUDGE NICHOLSON'S COURT WILL BE SCHEDULED FOR 10:30 A.M.

ALL CASES SCHEDULED FOR JUDGE RUSSO AND JUDGE CARTWRIGHT'S COURT WILL BE SCHEDULED FOR 11:30 A.M.

IN THE COMMENTS SECTION OF ALL PRELIMINARY HEARING AND RESCHEDULING NOTICES PLEASE TYPE THE FOLLOWING:

DUE TO THE COVID-19 PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY AND TO COMPLY WITH THE MODIFICATIONS TO COURT FUNCTIONS, WE ARE LIMITING THE AMOUNT OF PEOPLE THAT MAY BE PRESENT DURING THIS TIME. ONLY ESSENTIAL COURT PARTICIPANTS WILL BE ALLOWED TO ENTER THE LAWRENCE COUNTY CENTRAL COURT BUILDING ALL OTHERS WILL BE TURNED AWAY. ONLY DEFENDANTS, VICTIMS/WITNESSES, ATTORNEYS, AFFIANTS AND ADVOCATES WILL BE ALLOWED IN, NO FAMILY MEMBERS OR FRIENDS ARE PERMITTED TO ATTEND. ALL DEFENDANTS MUST BE FINGERPRINTED BEFORE A PRELIMINARY HEARING.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION IN THIS MATTER, ANY QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS PLEASE DO NOT HESITATE TO CONTACT ME

LINDA ABRAHAM

CC: PRESIDENT JUDGE MOTTO; COURT ADMINISTATOR MICHAEL OCCHIBONE