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COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
DIVISION OF DOMESTIC RELATIONS
HAMILTON COUNTY, OHIO



IN RE: HAMILTON COUNTY
COURT OF DOMESTIC
RELATIONS UPDATED OPERATIONS
UNDER EXIGENT CIRCUMSTANCES
CREATED BY COVID-19

Case No: M20-0004
JOINT ADMINISTRATIVE
ORDER

The Judges of the Court of Common Pleas, Division of Domestic Relations, make the following Findings of Fact, in addition to the findings outlined in the Court's Joint Administrative Order Of March 14, 2020 and hereby issue this Administrative Order:

On March 13, 2020, the President of the United States declared a National Emergency.

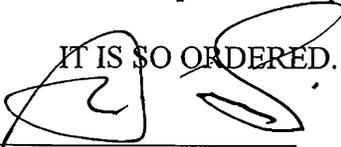
On March 27, 2020, the Governor of Ohio signed into law Am. Sub. H.B. 197, which immediately tolled, retroactive to March 9, 2020, all statutes of limitation, time limitations, and deadlines in the Ohio Revised Code and the Ohio Administrative Code until the expiration of Executive Order 2020-01D or July 30, 2020, whichever is sooner.

Based upon these Findings of Fact, the Court of Common Pleas, Division of Domestic Relations will continue to develop a continuum of flexible responses to the escalation of the public health crises as it increases in size and scope. The continuum of responses is intended 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 Courts.

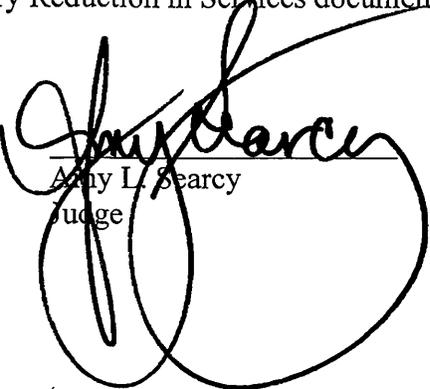
THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

1. All hearings other than Domestic Violence Civil Protection Petitions pursuant to O.R.C. 3113.31 are hereby suspended until further order of the Court, commencing the week of March 16, 2020.
2. All pending or currently scheduled non-domestic violence hearings shall be rescheduled by notice of the Court.
3. Pleadings will be accepted beginning April 6, 2020 as further outlined in the Updated Temporary Reduction in Services document dated April 1, 2020.

IT IS SO ORDERED.



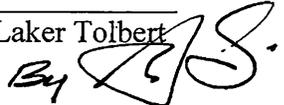
Jon H. Sieve
Administrative Judge



Amy L. Searcy
Judge



Susan Laker Tolbert
Judge

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Updated Temporary Reduction in Services

Effective Monday, April 6, 2020 and continuing until further order, the Hamilton County Court of Domestic Relations implements the following measures to mitigate the risks to public health that are posed by coronavirus/Covid-19:

- 1) The Court will continue to receive and conduct hearings on petitions for Domestic Violence Civil Protection Orders (DVCPO).
- 2) The Court will be open Monday-Friday at 9:30 a.m. and conduct DVCPO hearings from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- 3) The Court will not conduct in-person hearings other than DVCPO hearings.
- 4) Currently scheduled non-DVCPO hearings will be rescheduled and written notices will be mailed to all parties and counsel. This rescheduling will continue until the risks posed by COVID-19 are drastically reduced or contained.
- 5) The Court will process any pleading filed through the Hamilton County Clerk of Courts e-filing system. However, due to limited staffing, there may be delays in the processing.

To register for an e-filing account, please visit the Hamilton County Clerk of Courts website

at <https://www.courtclerk.org/forms-filings/e-filing/>.

For more information on e-filing, please see the Hamilton County Domestic Relations Court Electronic Filing Guide and the Domestic Relations Court Administrative Order on E-filing available on both our website and the Clerk's website.

- 6) If you are unable to utilize the e-filing system, please refer to our website to obtain all court forms.

https://www.hamiltoncountyohio.gov/government/courts/court_of_domestic_relations

- 7) No pleadings, with the exception of DVCPO Petitions will be accepted in person at the court. You will be required to mail completed pleadings to the Hamilton County Court of Domestic Relations, 800 Broadway, Docket office, Cincinnati, OH 45202. This only applies if you are unable to utilize the e-filing system.

- 8) All services provided by the Dispute Resolution Department, including the in-person parenting class, are suspended and will be rescheduled.

Please call 946-9148 if you have any questions about these measures.