

## **ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER**

This matter came on for consideration this 26th day of March, 2021 to supersede the Court's prior Administrative Order of January 19, 2021 journalized at Vol. 142, Pg. 322.

## THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

- 1. The Court remains "Open with Restrictions."
- 2. In-person hearings remain limited to essential matters as determined by the presiding jurist in keeping with previous guidance from the Supreme Court of Ohio and provided that appropriate safety measures remain in place.
- 3. Jury trials are suspended until April 26, 2021. This date will be re-evaluated on an ongoing basis.
  - a. To accommodate jury trials and the effect of public health recommendations on jury trials, the period of the continuances implemented by this Order are excluded under O.R.C. § 2945.72 and Ohio Constitution Art. I, Sec. 10. The Court specifically finds that the ends of justice served by ordering the continuances outweigh the interest of the public and any defendant's right to a speedy trial.
  - b. Further, this Court finds that a continuance of trial that supersedes a defendant's right to speedy trial is hereby considered permissible by all judges of the Juvenile Division pursuant to the Ohio Constitution and O.R.C. § 2945.72(H) as a "reasonable continuance granted other than upon the accused's own motion" due to current COVID-19 pandemic levels.
- 4. The Court shall continue to attempt to minimize the social interaction of parties, attorneys, witnesses, law enforcement personnel, and judicial personnel by conducting proceedings, to the extent practicable, by remote video, telephonic, or other available technological means.
- 5. All other orders in the June 25, 2020 Administrative Order journalized at Vol. 142, Pg. 306 and the June 12, 2020 Administrative Order journalized at Vol. 142, Pg. 305 that have not been specifically modified herein remain in full force and effect.
- 6. This Order shall be served on the Supreme Court of Ohio, Ohio Judicial Conference, Cuyahoga County Clerk of Courts, Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association, Cuyahoga County Prosecutor's Office, Cuyahoga County Public Defender's Office, Cuyahoga

County Criminal Defense Lawyer's Association, Cuyahoga County Sheriff, Cuyahoga County Board of Health, Cuyahoga County Executive, Cuyahoga County Council, the website of this Court, and distributed to the media.

## IT IS SO ORDERED.

CUYAHOGA COUNTY COURT OF COMMON PLEAS—JUVENILE DIVISION

HON. THOMAS F. O'MALLEY ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE

3-26-21 DATED

FILED WITH THE CLERK OF COURTS AND JOURNALIZED ON 3.26.21

BY ALL DEPUTY CLERK, AT VOLUME 142 PAGE 331