

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER	<u>M-1142-AO-2020-03</u>	Order Establishing Court Operational Measures to Control Communicable or Infectious Diseases
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The Arizona Supreme Court has instructed Arizona Courts to take appropriate measures to reduce the number of people entering the courthouse to slow the potential spread of COVID-19 coronavirus disease or other communicable diseases.

Therefore, pursuant to Supreme Court of Arizona Administrative Orders 2020-44, 2020-45, and 2020-47.

**IT IS ORDERED** that clerical and judicial staff are authorized to perform the following actions:

- Conduct proceedings using appearance of parties by audio, video, or other means that allows all parties to fully participate.
- Provide a 45-day continuance on criminal arraignments, pre-trials, non-jury trials and order to show cause hearings (Prosecutor's position is still required on all matters except arraignments and order to show cause hearings).
- Provide defendants 60-days from conviction date to report for self-surrender jail commitments in efforts to minimize the risk of infection to defendants and individuals in jail facilities.
- Provide a 60-day continuance on civil/civil traffic arraignments, hearings, defensive driving school, Children are Priceless Passenger (CAPP) Program extensions.
- Conduct payment plan negotiations including extensions to pay by phone or e-mail.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that time is excluded for speedy trial purposes and time standards/limits are suspended on criminal and civil charges as in the best interest of justice and public health, safety and welfare.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that electronic and digital signatures are approved as alternative signing options.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that any local rules or orders contradicting the above actions are suspended and replaced with this administrative order until further notice.

Dated this 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 2020.

  
Dyani Juarez, Magistrate