

IN THE CITY COURT OF SOUTH TUCSON
PIMA COUNTY, STATE OF ARIZONA

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

No. 2020-02

IN THE MATTER OF COURT OPERATIONAL) MOTION AND ORDER
MEASURES TO CONTROL INFECTIOUS DISEASES)

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 or other communicable diseases.

Pursuant to Supreme court of Arizona AO2020-44 and AO2020-45, **IT IS ORDERED** that clerical and judicial staff are authorized to perform the following actions:

- Conduct proceedings using appearance of parties by audio or other means that allows all parties to fully participate.
- Provide a 30-day continuance on criminal arraignments, pre-trials and non-jury trials. Prosecutor's position is still required on all matters except arraignments and order to show cause hearings.
- Provide a 60-day continuance on review hearings and order to show cause hearings.
- Provide a 30-day continuance on civil traffic arraignments, hearings and defensive driving school extensions.
- Conduct payment plan negotiations by phone including providing a 30-day payment extension to existing plans.

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 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 the administrative order until further notice.

Dated: March 17, 2020

Honorable Darlene Chavira Chávez
South Tucson City Court