
IN THE EL MIRAGE CITY COURT

COUNTY OF MARICOPA, STATE OF ARIZONA

In the Matter of:)
LIMITING COURT OPERATIONS)
DURING A PUBLIC HEALTH)
EMERGENCY)

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
NO. 2020-04
(Replacing Order 2020-003)

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.

With the Arizona Supreme Court's issuance of Administrative Order No. 2020-70 (Replacing Administrative Order No. 2020-60) this court is authorized to limit court operations during this public health emergency until notified by the Arizona Supreme Court.

IT IS ORDERED that Administrative Order 2020-03 is replaced by this order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that from MAY 1, 2020, through MAY 31, 2020, with limited exceptions as set forth below, the El Mirage City Court will continue to minimize in-person proceedings in accordance with this Arizona Supreme Court Administrative Order.

IT IS ORDERED that all in-person court business relating to fine payments, payment contracts, requests for defensive driving school enrollment be controlled to two citizens in the court lobby at a time.

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

- Limiting Courtroom to ten (10) court users in each area (Exception being defendants appearing to court with a minor child.)
- Restricting Court hours to the public to 8:00am to 12:00pm (Monday through Thursday)
- No jury trials will be scheduled before June 17, 2020.
- Video in-custody hearings will proceed as normal.
- All arraignments (both criminal and civil traffic cases) are continued until after June 17, 2020. Civil traffic matters may be resolved by fax, mail or during the courts adjusted walk-in hours.

- All non-jury trials for out of custody defendants will receive an additional continuance for a status conference after May 28, 2020.
- All Protective Order proceedings will continue as normal and until further notice.
- Court Security will assess all customers entering the court and will notify the Court Director of anyone exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19 and deter entrance into the court.
- 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.
- 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 subject to orders regarding this from the Arizona Supreme Court.

DATED this 30th day of April 2020

B. Monte Morgan
Presiding City Judge
El Mirage City Court