

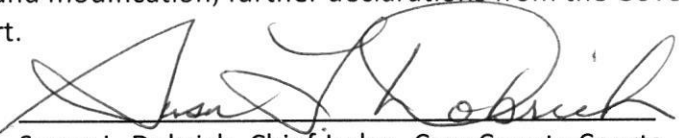
NOTICE REGARDING JURORS/JURY TRIALS/TRIAL-RELATED SCHEDULING

Following the Declaration of Emergency by Governor Whitmer regarding the spread of the COVID-19 Virus, Chief Judge Susan L. Dobrich, of the Cass County Courts, hereby provides notice of the following, effective March 13th, 2020:

- A. All civil jury trials scheduled for the remainder of March 2020 and April 2020 are hereby adjourned to be reset after May 1, 2020.
- B. All criminal trials with defendants on bond or in state prisons scheduled for the remainder of March 2020 and April 2020 are hereby adjourned to be reset after May 1, 2020.
- C. All criminal trials with defendants in custody in the County Jail scheduled for the remainder of March 2020 and April 2020 shall be subject to review as to whether bond should be reduced and then reviewed as to whether the case should be tried or adjourned and then if adjourned shall be reset after May 1, 2020.
- D. The Cass County Clerk may excuse jurors who are at risk of severe illness based on the following:

Individuals at risk of severe illness (per MDHHS Interim Recommendations for COVID-19 Community Mitigation Strategies dated March 11, 2020) include, but are not limited to, older adults and persons of any age with underlying medical conditions, such as persons with a blood disorder (e.g., sickle cell disease or a disorder being treated with blood thinners), an endocrine disorder (e.g., diabetes mellitus), or a metabolic disorder (such as inborn error of metabolism); those with heart disease, lung disease (including asthma or chronic obstructive pulmonary disease), chronic kidney disease, or chronic liver disease; those with a compromised immune system (e.g., those who are receiving treatments such as radiation or chemotherapy, who have received an organ or bone marrow transplant, who are taking high doses of immunosuppressant, or who have HIV or AIDS); those who are currently pregnant or were pregnant in the last two weeks; and those with neurological or neurologic and neurodevelopment conditions.

- E. Pre-Trial Conferences, Final Settlement Conferences, and the terms of Scheduling Orders in effect for criminal cases, except for the jury trial dates which are addressed in paragraph A. above, continue as previously ordered and the parties/attorneys shall abide by the same.
- F. Scheduling Orders in effect for civil cases, except for the jury trial dates which are addressed in paragraph B. and C. above, continue as previously ordered and the parties/attorneys shall abide by the same.
- G. This policy is subject to immediate review and modification, further declarations from the Governor, or orders from the Michigan Supreme Court.



Susan L. Dobrich, Chief Judge, Cass County Courts

NOTICE REGARDING DISTRICT COURT PROBATIONERS AND JUVENILE PROBATIONERS

Following the Declaration of Emergency by Governor Whitmer regarding the spread of the COVID-19 Virus, Chief Judge Susan L. Dobrich, of the Cass County Courts, hereby provides notice of the following, effective March 13th, 2020:

- A. All District Court Probationers currently ordered to report in person with their assigned probation officer shall instead report by telephone to their assigned probation officer effective March ____, 2020 through April 30, 2020.
- B. All Juvenile Probationers currently ordered to report in person with their assigned probation officer shall instead report by telephone to their assigned probation officer effective March ____, 2020 through April 30, 2020.
- C. All District Court Probationers shall continue to abide by all other terms and conditions of probation as previously ordered except as modified by paragraph A. above.
- D. All Juvenile Probationers shall continue to abide by all other terms and conditions of probation as previously ordered except as modified by paragraph A. above.
- E. This policy is subject to immediate review and modification, further declarations from the Governor, or orders from the Michigan Supreme Court.


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