

**IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
ATHENS COUNTY, OHIO**

PUBLIC NOTICE

To: All interested parties

From: Patrick J. Lang, Administrative Judge

Date: March 31, 2020

Re: Thirty (30) day extension of previous emergency orders

Due to the ongoing public health emergency, the Temporary Orders issued by the Court on March 13, 2020 are hereby extended for an additional thirty (30) days. Specifically:

The Court will remain in operation Monday through Friday, from 10:00 a.m to 2:00 p.m.

- 1) The Athens County Grand Jury remains suspended until further Order of the Court. Grand jurors will be contacted directly by the Court in the event that they need to appear at a future date.
- 2) No jurors will be summoned to Court, nor will any jury trials be held.
- 3) All scheduled in-person hearings in the General and Domestic Relations Divisions will be CONTINUED. Persons with court dates prior to May 1 should not report to Court. Hearings will be rescheduled. Those persons represented by counsel should call their attorneys.
- 4) Persons summoned to appear for Arraignments on Wednesday, March 25 or Wednesday, April 1, should not report to Court. Instead, plan to appear on **Wednesday, June 3, 2020**, unless otherwise advised by the Court or counsel.
- 5) Hearings may be scheduled on a case-by-case basis, to be heard by the Court via teleconference.

Any persons with business before the Court who are represented by counsel should contact their attorneys for further guidance regarding scheduling.

Prior to May 1, 2020, the Court will issue further guidance regarding whether these Temporary Orders will be extended, modified or allowed to expire.