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Administrative Judge

DISTRICT COURT OF MARYLAND
District Number 6

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IN THE SIXTH DISTRICT COURT OF MARYLAND FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY

SECOND AMENDED ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER – OPERATIONS DISTRICT SIX

WHEREAS Pursuant to the Court of Appeals March 1, 2022, FIFTH AMENDED ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER EXPANDING STATEWIDE JUDICIARY OPERATIONS IN LIGHT OF THE COVID-19 EMERGENCY, the Judiciary moves to PHASE V of Operations but recognizes the increasing need for additional health measures; and

WHEREAS, the Court recognizes the concerns of all Court customers, and that safety is of the utmost importance and COVID-19 conditions are unique to each community and subject to change; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to the authority of the Court of Appeals, Maryland courts are permitted to provide services and conduct court proceedings remotely or in-person; and

Pursuant to the authority found in Maryland Courts and Judicial Proceedings Code Ann., Section 1-607, and to ensure the administration, operation, and maintenance of District Six, it is this 3 March 2022,

ORDERED, that the wearing of face masks is voluntary for any judges, Judiciary personnel, and any other persons entering the courthouses who have been fully vaccinated as defined by the CDC;

ORDERED, any judges, Judiciary personnel or other person who are not fully vaccinated as defined by the CDC must be masked until further Order of this Court. Individuals may be required to remove their masks for the purpose of testifying or identification.

ORDERED, that no person who has been diagnosed with and remains ill with COVID-19, or who has not been fully vaccinated and is aware of having been exposed to a person infected with COVID-19 and is within the applicable quarantine period may enter the Rockville and Silver Spring Courthouses; and it is further

ORDERED, that all persons entering the courthouses may be subject to COVID-19 screening; and it is further

ORDERED, that both the Rockville and Silver Spring District Courts are open to the public. The courts will resume all types of contested trials but may limit the concentration of individuals when appropriate. These restrictions will include staggered dockets; and it is further,

ORDERED, that Remote Hearings will still be conducted consistent with the THIRD AMENDED ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER – REMOTE HEARING PROTOCOLS, dated March 3 2022; And it is further,

ORDERED, that the Administrative Order – OPERATIONS DISTRICT SIX dated 9 August 2021, and the ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER – PHASE III dated December 28, 2021 are rescinded, and it is further

ORDERED, that to the extent that this Order conflicts with any prior District 6 Administrative Order, this order shall prevail.

ORDERED, that this Order will become effective 7 March 2022.



Sherri D. Koch
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Montgomery County, Maryland