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**MAHONING COUNTY COURT NO. 2
Boardman Township, Ohio
MAHONING COUNTY COURT NO. 3
Sebring, Ohio
MAHONING COUNTY COURT NO. 4
Austintown Township, Ohio
MAHONING COUNTY COURT NO. 5
Canfield, Ohio**

IN RE:

ORDER DECLARING A JUDICIAL) CASE NO. 2020 CV OPEN
EMERGENCY AND CONTINUITY OF)
OPERATIONS OF THE COUNTY)
COURTS) JUDGMENT ENTRY
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Governor DeWine has ordered closed all bars and restaurants other than carry-out service due to the coronavirus threat in an effort to prevent "community spread" of the virus. Currently, the ban does not include public buildings, office environments, or places where it is unusual for a large number of people to be within arm's length of each other. However, the volume of people that the Mahoning County Courts #2-#5 serves on a daily basis warrants additional action on behalf of the Courts.

The Mahoning County Courts #2-#5 will remain open and functioning as we deal with the impacts of the current COVID-19. All scheduled court hearings with the exception of prisoner cases and Felonies will be continued to a date to be determined in the near future.

- Misdemeanor Traffic and Criminal Arraignments will not be conducted for at least the next three weeks.
- All Civil cases will not take place for at least the next three weeks.
- Scheduled hearings before the Judges, except prisoner cases and Felonies, will be rescheduled and a notice of the new court date will be sent to the address the court has on file.
- Jurors scheduled to report on March 24, 2020 @ CC#5 and April 6, 2020 @ CC#3 shall not appear – these jury trials will be continued and rescheduled to another date. These jurors are relieved from their jury duty at this time.

All of the County Courts arraignment session(s) for prisoners will remain open. Friends and family members of those prisoners are requested to stay home rather than risk their health by coming to court.

Those who have scheduled weddings at the Courthouse(s) herein are discouraged from having their weddings take place at our courts during the next four weeks. If you wish to reschedule the wedding please call the court in which it is to be held to reschedule. If you wish to maintain your scheduled date, we will gladly accommodate your request.

As soon as feasible, we will implement telephone reporting to as many probation clients as possible. The client should contact their Probation Officer regarding their next regular scheduled appointment.

All clients who are scheduled for community service should still report as scheduled. All clients who have been given a report date to serve a jail sentence should report as ordered.

Court employees should report at their regular time until further notice.

These plans will be in effect until April 6, 2020. We will continue to monitor the ongoing COVID-19 situation and adapt to meet our community's needs.

As is the practice of the Courts, we will continue to make every effort to minimize the number of prisoners in the county jail, to the extent that the safety of the community or the alleged victim, if any, is not jeopardized.

We are continuously assessing the situation to determine if additional precautions are necessary,

For emergency matters that need immediate attention, please contact the Bailiff for the Judge assigned to your case or the Administrative and Presiding Judge, Judge Scott D. Hunter at (330) 740-2001. The following is the contact information for each of the County Courts:

Mahoning County Court #2
The Honorable Joseph M. Houser, Judge
8110 Market Street
Boardman, OH 44512
Main Telephone: (330) 726-5546
Bailiff: Jennifer Willis, ext. 6374

Mahoning County Court #3
The Honorable JP Morgan, Judge
606 E. Ohio Avenue
Sebring, OH 44672
Main Telephone: (330) 938-9873
Interim Bailiff: Allison Grope, ext. 6308

Mahoning County Court #4
The Honorable Scott D. Hunter, Judge
6000 Mahoning Avenue
Austintown, OH 44515
Main Telephone: (330) 740-2001
Bailiff: Heidi Milstead, ext. 6324

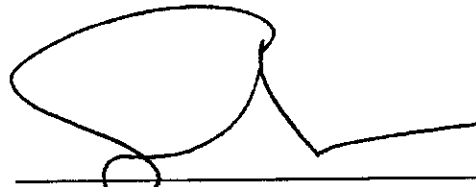
Mahoning County Court #5
The Honorable Molly K. Johnson, Judge
72 N. Broad Street
Canfield, OH 44406
Main Telephone: (330) 533-3643
Bailiff: Brandon Pasvanis, ext. 6381

Any other questions or concerns, please contact:

Colleen Ingram,
Court Administrator
Telephone: (330) 533-3643
Email: cingram@mahoningcountvoh.gov

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Date: 3-16-2020



JUDGE SCOTT D. HUNTER
Administrative and Presiding Judge