

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER – PHASE II – DISTRICT SIX

- I. Pursuant to Chief Judge Barbera's November 24, 2020 Sixth Administrative Order Restricting Statewide Judiciary Operations District Six moves to Phase II on November 30, 2020. The case types listed below will be heard in Phase II:

Criminal/traffic

- Bail reviews/bench warrants/bail reconsiderations including matters involving locally incarcerated defendants.
- Quarantine and isolation violations.
- Trials for incarcerated defendants, criminal actions alleging violent acts, and alcohol-related motor-vehicle cases.
- Guilty pleas with deferred incarceration start date considered.
- Hearings on petitions for mental health evaluations and competency to stand trial and mental health court.
- Preliminary hearings
- Violations of probation
- Juvenile waiver hearings
- Any other criminal proceedings that can be conducted remotely.
- All other emergency matters will be reviewed by the Administrative Judge/designee to determine whether it can be resolved without a hearing, heard with remote participation, scheduled after the emergency period has ended, or heard in person.

Civil

- Emergency evaluation petitions.
- Quarantine and isolation violation petitions.
- Body attachments.
- Temporary and final domestic violence, peace, and extreme risk protective order petitions during court hours.
- Temporary restraining orders.
- Any other civil proceedings that can be conducted remotely.

Landlord-Tenant

- Rent escrow actions if local inspectors are able to conduct inspections.
- Emergency breach of lease matters involving threats or injury to people or property and associated warrants of restitution.
- Emergency wrongful detainers actions and associated warrants of restitution.
- Emergency tenant holding over actions and associated warrants of restitution.
- Processing of warrants of restitution for fail to pay rent actions beginning after July 25, 2020 consistent with the Fifth Administrative Order Lifting the Suspension During the COVID-19 Emergency of Foreclosures, Evictions, and other Ejectments Involving Residences, filed November 24, 2020.

- II. The Court & Clerks' Offices will be open to the public by appointment only and subject to capacity limits and the following:

- Please do not arrive more than 15 minutes before your hearing/appointment time (due to space limitations).
- Any person seeking entrance must answer COVID-19 screening questions.
- Any person seeking entrance must have a non-contact body temperature check, if available.
- All persons must have face covering/mask over mouth and nose while in the building.
- In courtrooms, please sit only on areas marked with blue tape.
- Parties, witnesses and lawyers will receive priority for in-person courtroom seating.
- All person must be 6' apart from others while in any part of the building.

- Only 4 people on an elevator, per lift.
 - Please leave promptly upon completion of your business.
- III. If Clerk's offices are at capacity, you may have to wait until space becomes available.
(DV petitioners will receive priority access)
- IV. Filings/payments may be made in the lobby boxes (emptied hourly) 8:30 am - 4:30 pm.
(no screening is required)
- V. Frequently requested forms will be available for pick up in the lobby 8:30 am-4:30 pm.
(no screening is required)
- VI. After hours filing and civil protective orders are available via Commissioner in Rockville District Court , Silver Spring District Court and at the Central Processing Unit, 1307 Seven Locks Road.

For further information:

Rockville District Court – 301.563.8800

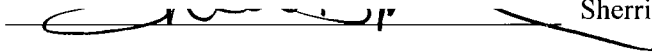
<https://www.mdcourts.gov/district/directories/montgomery/ROCKVILLE>

Silver Spring District Court – 301.563.8500

<https://www.mdcourts.gov/district/directories/montgomery/SILVERSPRING>

All cases will be heard in the Rockville District Courthouse. The Silver Spring District Courthouse will be closed during Phase II.

SO ORDERED THIS 25TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2020



Sherri D. Koch, Administrative Judge