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**IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
GENERAL, CRIMINAL AND DOMESTIC RELATIONS DIVISIONS
HANCOCK COUNTY, OHIO**

**In re: Temporary Orders Necessitated
By the Covid-19 (Coronavirus) Public
Health Emergency and State of
Emergency in the Unites States and
State of Ohio – REGARDING
DOMESTIC RELATIONS DIVISION**

June 2, 2021

The Judges and Magistrates of the Hancock County Common Pleas Court, Domestic Relations Division, have developed and will continue to develop a continuum of flexible responses in response to this ongoing public health emergency. The continuum of responses is intended to protect health, to maintain essential court functions, and to continue to protect the rights of all individuals subject to the authority of the Court.

THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

1. Effective immediately and continuing until further Order of this Court, *all persons entering the Domestic Relations Division of the Hancock County Common Pleas Court, located on the ground floor of the Hancock County Courthouse (the Courthouse) shall be required to properly wear appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)* (e.g. masks, face shields, etc.). Such limitations are reasonable and necessary to ensure the health and safety of the public and employees, and to maintain appropriate levels of services provided by the Court and guaranteed by Article I, §16 of the Constitution of the State of Ohio.

2. No person will be permitted to enter the Domestic Relations Division of the Hancock County Common Pleas Court without appropriate PPE and may be removed if there is a failure to use appropriate PPE after entry.
3. Refusal to wear appropriate PPE will not be considered good cause to not appear for a scheduled court hearing in the Domestic Relations Division of the Hancock County Common Pleas Court.
4. Any deviations from this Order shall be on a case-by-case basis, and shall be subject to the discretion and control of the Judge or Magistrate presiding over the hearing at issue.

All until further Order.




HON. REGINALD J. ROUTSON
ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE



HON. JONATHAN P. STARN
PRESIDING JUDGE



ROBROY L. CROW
MAGISTRATE



ELIZABETH A. BEHRENDT
MAGISTRATE

THE CLERK OF COURTS SHALL PLACE A COPY IN THE MAIL DRAWERS OF ALL ATTORNEYS LOCATED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF COURTS.

A COPY OF THIS ORDER SHALL BE POSTED AT THE ENTRANCE TO THE DOMESTIC RELATIONS DIVISION OF THIS COURT.