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North Las Vegas Justice Court
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JUSTICE COURT, NORTH LAS VEGAS TOWNSHIP

CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA

IN THE ADMINISTRATIVE MATTER OF: TEMPORARY PROCEDURES FOR CRIMINAL, CIVIL AND TRAFFIC CASES) **ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER: #2020--05**

WHEREAS, Local Rules of Practice for the Justice Court of North Las Vegas Township, rule 6.5 (b) (2) empowers the Chief Judge to be responsible for the administration of court rules and regulations; and

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 virus presents concerns regarding public health, and the Court wishes to limit unnecessary in-person appearances; therefore,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that effective Administrative Order #20-02 will be deemed expired June 1, 2020;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Administrative Order #20-03 will be deemed expired on June 1, 2020;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Administrative Order #20-04 will remain in effect until the March 12, 2020 Declaration of Emergency terminates, expires, or Emergency Directive 008 is rescinded by order of the Governor or modified or rescinded by a subsequent order, whichever occurs earlier;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Court will resume hearing **out-of-custody** arraignments, preliminary hearings, status checks and bench trials on or after June 1, 2020;

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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that effective June 1, 2020, the North Las Vegas Justice Court will comply with Declaration of Emergency Directive 018, which directs employers to take proactive measures to ensure compliance and social distancing and sanitation guidelines promulgated by the Nevada State Occupational Safety and Health Administration. With these guidelines in mind, the Court finds it necessary to order as follows:

1. The Court shall require court participants and visitors to wear their own or a court-provided mask or other face-covering. The Court shall exclude persons from the courthouse who refuse to cooperate. This requirement shall be posted at the entrance and on the Court's public website.

2. All court employees must wear face coverings in public areas, including the lobby and courtrooms.

3. Children under the age of two and individuals who are unable to remove the face covering without assistance do not have to comply with the face covering directive, Individuals who are unable to wear a face covering for court should make arrangements to appear by alternative means.

4. During courtroom proceedings, the judge may authorize removal of masks or face coverings for purposes of witness testimony, defendant identification, making an appropriate record, or other reasons as deemed necessary by the judge provided that appropriate social distancing or other protective measures are followed.

5. To ensure social distancing requirements, courtroom seating capacity has been reduced. Priority entrance will be given to court case participants, however, to the extent

logistically possible, the public will be allowed to attend in-person proceedings. Entrance times may be staggered as space permits.

6. Video technology is authorized as an alternative to in-person appearances for witnesses, and plaintiffs and defendants for civil matters.

7. Criminal and Civil jury trials will resume after August 1, 2020. Prospective jurors will be required to wear their own or court-provided masks or face coverings. To accommodate social distancing standards, jury duty reporting times will be staggered for prospective jurors.

8. Small Claims trials and Small Claims motion hearings will resume under circumstances in which the Court can maintain safe social distancing practice. Cases currently scheduled for trial may be continued to accommodate the courtroom's maximum occupancy capacity.

9. The North Las Vegas Justice Court will resume issuing Defaults when appropriate under Justice Court Rule of Civil Procedure 55. However, in civil actions in which the summons and complaint were served prior to the filing date of this Order, the Court requires the Plaintiff to provide the Defendant with a Notice of Intent to Take Default that affords the Defendant a minimum of 14 calendar days to file an Answer before Default may be entered. Such notice must be mailed to the Defendant at the Defendant's address where served or last known address if served at a location other than the Defendant's usual place of abode.

10. Governor's Emergency Directive 017 controls all post judgment collection matters, executions and garnishments. Additionally, the Court has stayed the issuance of orders for the examination of judgment debtor.

11. The North Las Vegas Justice Court will resume normal procedures for all essential and non-essential civil hearings and bench trials though docketing of cases may be limited for the Court to maintain safe social distancing practices within the courtroom's occupancy capacity. Parties may submit written requests for telephonic appearance in accordance with Supreme Court Rule IX-B, if desired.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Administrative Order shall be reviewed no later than every 30 days and shall remain in effect until thirty (30) days following the expiration of the March 12, 2020, Governor's Emergency Declaration or until modified or rescinded by a subsequent order, whichever occurs earlier.

Entered this 28th day of May, 2020.

CHRIS LEE
Chief Judge
North Las Vegas Justice Court