

REVISED COVID-19 MEMORANDUM FROM CCL #2

To: Lawyers, parties and witnesses in County Court at Law #2

From: Lynn Marie Johnson, Judge Presiding, County Court at Law #2

Date: 3/9/2021

Re: COVID-19 Operating Plan- March 10, 2021 – TBA

Until further notice, the Court will follow this **Revised COVID-19 Operating Plan** as set out below.

JURY TRIALS:

CCL2 Jury trials scheduled in March, April, and May 2021 are cancelled. It is anticipated that jury trials will resume in June 2021.

CIVIL DOCKETS:

The Court will continue to use ZOOM, unless an in-person hearing is needed. Please see **Rules for Remote Hearings** on this Court's website.

Written submissions are permitted for agreed Divorce/SAPCR prove-ups and name changes.

Contested evidentiary matters (e.g. temporary orders, motions to enforce, bench trials, CPS adversary hearings) will be in-person.

Hearings will be set throughout the day. **Please check the Court's docket for your specific hearing time.**

CRIMINAL DOCKETS

First Appearance: Waived if represented by counsel and counsel has requested discovery. Defendants without attorneys will appear in-person as scheduled.

Attorney Docket: Defendants will appear in-person as scheduled. Completed Applications for Court Appointed Attorney can be e-filed with the county clerk or emailed/faxed to CCL2 prior to the Attorney Docket. A Defendant will not be required to appear if the Court approves the application prior to the hearing.

Pretrial: Attorneys and Pro Se Defendants will appear by ZOOM. Appearance by Attorneys is waived **only if** a statement of compliance is e-filed stating that the attorney has an offer and has received discovery in the case.

