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IN THE COMMON PLEAS COURT OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY, OHIO

TEMPORARY EMERGENCY ORDER AND ENTRY

RE: DOMESTIC RELATIONS DIVISION EMERGENCY  
RESPONSE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

ENTRY AND ORDER

EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY, due to the continued COVID-19 threat, the Montgomery County Domestic Relations Court shall be open and operational for Domestic Violence and emergency cases ONLY. This Order supercedes the March 18, 2020 Order of this Court.

On March 9, 2020, Ohio Governor Mike DeWine declared a state of emergency in light of the Covid-19 public health crisis in order to protect the well-being of the citizens of Ohio. On March 13, 2020, President Donald J. Trump declared a national state of emergency due to the expansion of cases of Covid-19 throughout the nation and world. Internationally, nationally and locally, communities are being asked to limit face-to-face interaction and the number of those gathering in one location, among other measures in an effort to reduce the risks posed by Covid-19.


The Court of Common Pleas of Montgomery County, Domestic Relations Division is taking necessary precautions to protect the health and safety of citizens and staff entering its doors. The Court is committed to its constitutional and statutory obligations and remains open and operational. In an effort to minimize risk while meeting our statutory mandate the Domestic Relations Court finds it necessary to enact this temporary emergency order. THIS ORDER SHALL REMAIN IN EFFECT UNTIL FURTHER ORDER OF THIS COURT.

In the interest of justice, fairness and public safety, the Court hereby limits proceedings to emergency hearings only. Petitions for civil protection orders and other ex parte requests shall be heard on the day filed, during normal business hours. Full hearings for these matters shall be set expeditiously.

Non-emergency hearings and all other matters are hereby suspended until further notice. Matters set before the Court, including but not limited to: hearings, trials, mediation, conciliation, family investigations, parent education seminars, emancipations and the like, shall be reset by the Court FORTHWITH.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

  
ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE DENISE L. CROSS

  
JUDGE TIMOTHY D. WOOD