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From: Chief Justice Donald W. Lemons

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Donald W. Lemons".

Date: July 1, 2020

Re: Offer of Assistance

Dear Bar Leaders,

On Monday of this week, a Guidance and Considerations for the Resumption of Jury Trials memorandum was sent to the Chief Judges of the Circuit Courts of the Commonwealth. It outlined the topics to be addressed in order to resume jury trials. It recognizes that reentry is not a "one size fits all" process. What is necessary in Fairfax County may not be necessary in Bath County.

You have volunteered your services and those of your organization. Now is the time to be engaged to assist in developing a local plan.

In recent weeks, five courts in the Commonwealth have shut down for full sanitization because one or more people who were users of the facility tested positive for the COVID-19 virus.

The memorandum is attached. The table of contents addresses the subjects that need to be considered in a local plan.

I urge you to contact Chief Judges at the Circuit Court level and volunteer your services.

Enclosure

cc: Justices of the Supreme Court of Virginia
Jury Task Force
Chief Circuit Court Judges