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ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2021-001

FAIRFIELD
MUNICIPAL COURT

**SECOND AMENDED ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER IN RESPONSE TO THE
COVID-19 (CORONAVIRUS) PUBLIC HEALTH CRISIS**

The Judge of the City of Fairfield Municipal Court makes the following Findings of Fact:

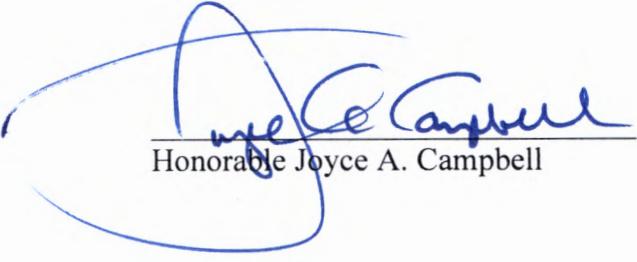
1. On May 12, 2021, Ohio Governor DeWine announced that the vast majority of Ohio's covid-19 health orders will be rescinded on June 2, 2021;
2. On May 17, 2021, the Director of the Ohio Department of Health, Stephanie McCloud, issued, in accordance with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, a *Second Amended Order for Social Distancing, Facial Coverings and Non-Congregating*, which remained in effect until June 2, 2021;
3. On June 1, 2021, the Director of the Ohio Department of Health, Stephanie McCloud, issued an Order effective June 2, 2021, rescinding various health orders which were directed at preventing the spread of covid-19; and
4. Based upon these Findings of Fact, the City of Fairfield Municipal Court continues to develop responses intended to protect public health, 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:

1. Administrative Order 2020-001 issued on March 16, 2020, and Administrative Order 2020-002 issued on May 14, 2020, are modified to the following Orders herein.
2. Limited Access. Only those individuals with Court business are permitted to enter the building. This includes: Attorneys, Plaintiffs, Defendants, Subpoenaed Witnesses, Police Officers and Victims. If requested, a Victim may be accompanied by one support person.
3. Facial Covering. You may continue to wear a mask covering the nose and mouth at your discretion. When testifying during a hearing or when addressing the Court, please lower your mask so that your statements will be clearly recorded.
4. Maintain 6 feet distancing. Sit only in the designated chairs in the courtroom and maintain 6 feet of social distancing in the hallway and the Clerk's counter area. The use of hand sanitizer is highly encouraged and is available in front of the Clerk's counter.
5. Fever or flu-like symptoms. If you are sick please stay home. Anyone with a temperature over 100.4 F degrees or who has been instructed to quarantine by a doctor or health agency is not permitted to enter the building.

6. Arraignments and Initial Appearances for incarcerated Defendants will continue to be held by video. For consultations and trial preparation, Attorneys are directed to meet with their clients at the Butler County Jail or through their tele-communication options. The Court is not equipped at this time to provide meeting rooms to insure recommended social distancing when communicating with clients.
7. The Court continues to have the lawful authority, within Constitutional limits, to do and direct to be done all things necessary to ensure the orderly and efficient administration of justice for the duration of the declared public health emergency.
8. This Administrative Order 2021-001 shall expire on September 6, 2021.

IT IS SO ORDERED.



Honorable Joyce A. Campbell