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**IN THE FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA IN AND FOR
STOREY COUNTY AND VIRGINIA TOWNSHIP JUSTICE COURT**

IN THE MATTER OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE
ORDER RE:
COURT OPERATIONS UNDER THE EXIGENT
CIRCUMSTANCES CREATED BY COVID-19
AND RELATED CORONAVIRUS

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ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

This Administrative Order is being issued in response to the recent outbreak of Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) in Nevada. On March 15, 2020, Governor Stephen Sisolak declared a state of emergency and closed all public, private and charter schools K-12 until April 6, 2020 to prevent the spread of the virus. After review of the Nevada Supreme Court recommendation to stay jury trials and review of other Nevada Courts in the state with respect to modifying operations, the First Judicial District Court and Virginia Township Justice Court finds that taking this action to suspend jury trials in civil and criminal cases protects the community and outweighs the interests of the parties and the public in a speedy trial or hearing.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the First Judicial District Court and Virginia Township Justice Court will identify non-essential court cases that can be rescheduled or be heard by video conference or teleconference. Reasonable notice will be given to the parties.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this order shall operate to stay jury trials in civil and criminal cases for a period of not less than 30 days. The time period of any continuance entered as a result of this order shall be excluded for purposes of calculating speedy trial under NRS 178.556(1) and NRS

1 174.511. This order operates to stay trials in civil cases for purposes of NRCP 41 (e). The Court may
2 extend the period of exclusion as circumstances warrant.

3 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Clerk's Offices will continue to accept filings and operate
4 with normal working hours.

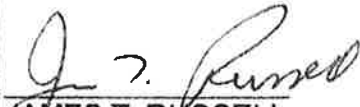
5 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the attached Notice "Exhibit A" will be placed on the court's
6 website and in front of the Courthouse located at 26 South B Street Virginia City, NV 89440.

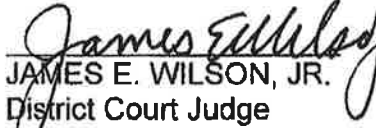
7 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Storey County Sheriff's Office not arrest any person on
8 a traffic-related warrant for failure to appear or contempt of court where the bail is less than \$900.00,
9 or when the traffic warrant is more than 36 months old, as issued by the Virginia Township Justice
10 Court. Instead, law enforcement is ordered to issue a new citation for failure to appear or contempt
11 of court pursuant to NRS 199.340 and direct that the defendant appear at a future date. This
12 provision does not apply to any charges of DUI, reckless driving, battery that constitutes domestic
13 violence, or crimes of violence.

14 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Administrative Order will continue until modified or
15 rescinded by a subsequent order.

16 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Clerk's Office disseminate copies of the order to Storey
17 County Manager, Storey District Attorney, Nevada State Public Defender, and Storey County
18 Sheriff's Office.

19 DATED this 18th day of March, 2020.

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24 JAMES T. RUSSELL
25 District Court Judge

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28 JAMES E. WILSON, JR.
District Court Judge

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31 EILEEN F. HERRINGTON
32 JUSTICE OF THE PEACE

VIRGINIA TOWNSHIP JUSTICE COURT NOTICE

DO NOT ENTER IF:

You are exhibiting runny nose, sore throat, cough, fever, difficulty breathing or flu symptoms;

You have been diagnosed with, or have had contact with anyone who has been diagnosed with COVID-19;

You have been asked to self-quarantine by any hospital or health agency;

You have travelled to any of the following countries within the last 14 days: ITALY, IRAN, SOUTH KOREA, CHINA, AUSTRIA, BELGIUM, CZECH REPUBLIC, DENMARK, ESTONIA, FINLAND, FRANCE, GERMANY, GREECE, HUNGARY, ICELAND, IRELAND, LATVIA, LIECHTENSTEIN, LITHUANIA, LUXEMBOURG, MALTA, NETHERLANDS, NORWAY, POLAND, PORTUGAL, SLOVAKIA, SLOVENIA, SPAIN, SWEDEN SWITZERLAND, MONACO, SAN MARINO, UNITED KINGDOM, VATICAN CITY.

This list is subject to change by the Centers for Disease Control.

You reside or have had close contact with someone who has travelled to one of the above areas within the last 14 days.

If you need to conduct business, please call us at: 775-847-0962

or email us at: jp@storeycounty.org

Exhibit A