

Orders agreed to by the prosecuting authority, defendant, and defense counsel are found to have good cause due to the public health emergency.

3. In order to reduce the risk of contagion by the COVID-19 virus, out-of-custody defendants: a) who are of at least sixty (60) years of age, and have compromised immune systems due to heart disease, pulmonary disease, diabetes, or other current illness; and, b) other persons who are pregnant and/or experiencing symptoms of respiratory infection or illness may appear by telephone for initial appearance, arraignment, or readiness hearing, if the defendant provides a current, valid working phone number to the court at least 2 (two) court days prior to the scheduled hearing date. The court clerk will make one call to the defendant at the number provided during the calendar. For example, a defendant appearing by phone for initial appearance/arraignment starting at 9:00AM must remain available until the conclusion of the court calendar. A defendant who fails to answer when the court calls shall be treated as a failure to appear and a bench warrant may issue for their arrest.

4. Persons on probation meeting the above criteria may request telephone contact, which shall be considered on a case-by case basis by the probation department.

5. All in-custody matters, including guilty pleas and sentencings, shall be conducted by video conference. The provisions of CrRLJ 3.4 regarding in-person appearances of defendants are suspended in order to reduce the risk of contagion posed by the COVID-19 virus.

6. All deferred prosecution special report calendars are continued to May 4, 2020 at 1:30p.m. All mental health special report calendars are continued to May 7, 2020 at 1:00p.m.

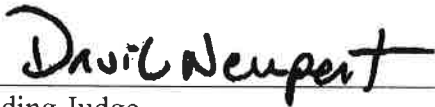
7. The time for hearing of civil infractions under IRLJ 2.6 is suspended to reduce the number of persons appearing in court. All infraction hearings (both mitigated and contested) presently set for hearing on or after April 2, 2020 are continued. The clerk of the Court will provide notice of the new hearing date. The Court will continue to accept written mitigation statements as per LRIRLJ 2.4(4).

8. All small claims trials, name change hearings, and vehicle/vessel/animal impound hearings are continued to date(s) as determined by the Clerk of the Court.

9. Anti-harassment protection order matters will be scheduled as per statutory requirements. Personal appearance is required.

10. This Administrative Order supersedes and replaces the procedures stated in the Court's memorandum dated March 16, 2020. This Administrative Order shall remain in effect until rescinded.

DATED this 18th day of March, 2020

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "David Newport". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Presiding Judge,
Clallam County District Court I

