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TEMPORARY STANDING ORDER REGARDING CONORNA VIRUS DISEASE
(COVID-19) MITIGATION AND JUSTICE OF THE PEACE IN FAYETTE COUNTY PCTS
1,2,3 (Order No. 01)

Due to coronavirus disease (COVID-19), Justice of the Peace in Fayette County Pcts. 1, 2, 3 issue the following order based on the Office of Court Administration's "Updated Guidance # 1 on Court Procedures for the 2019 Novel Corona virus (COVID-19)." This order is issued to protect the community, limit exposure, and provide for an efficient judicial system:

This order will stay in effect unless the Governor of Texas issues a disaster declaration and the Texas Supreme Court (or its delegate) authorizes new rules during the disaster, in which case a new order for the Justice of the Peace in Fayette County Pcts. 1, 2, 3 will be issued comporting to the declaration and rules. If the Office of Court Administration issues updated guidance, this order will be amended accordingly.

All scheduled court proceedings prior to May 1, 2020 except for "essential court proceedings" will be reset to another date after May 1, 2020. Each court will contact the litigants to notify them of the new reset date as soon as practicable for the court. Essential court proceedings are: writs of re-entry, writs of retrieval, writs of restoration, magistration of defendants in custody and of fugitives from justice (in or out of custody), issuing burial transit permits, and repair and remedy cases that materially affect the physical health or safety of a tenant.

No eviction setting will be held until after May 1, 2020. No writs of possession will be issued by a Justice Court for 45 days after the date of this order.

For traffic/Class C citations with an appearance date prior to May 1, 2020, the appearance date will be extended and the court will notify defendants of a new rescheduled appearance date. This applies to cite-and-release charges and summonses for charges other than Class C misdemeanors as well. No warrants due to failing to appear for a traffic/Class C citation, cite-and-release charge, or a summons will be issued for 45 days from the order.

Date: March 17th, 2020

Justice of the Peace
Fayette County Pct 1

