

MOBILE COUNTY REVISED STANDING ORDER (3/14/20)
STATE OF ALABAMA

On March 12, 2020, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Court issued a Standing Order suspending jury trials for the months of March and April 2020. On March 13, 2020, after the President of the United States declared a national emergency and the Governor of Alabama declared a state of emergency, the Alabama Supreme Court entered an administrative order suspending all in-person proceedings in all state and local courts in Alabama beginning on **Monday, March 16, 2020 through Thursday, April 16, 2020** with the following limited exceptions:

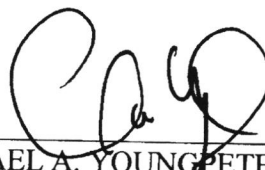
1. Bond-related matters and plea agreements for incarcerated individuals.
2. Arraignments for incarcerated individuals.
3. Preliminary hearings for incarcerated individuals.
4. Bench trials for incarcerated individuals.
5. Proceedings related to protection from abuse.
6. Proceedings related to emergency child custody and protection orders.
7. Department of Human Resources emergency matters related to child protection.
8. Proceedings related to petitions for temporary injunctive relief.
9. Proceedings related to emergency mental health orders.
10. Proceedings related to emergency protection of elderly or vulnerable persons.
11. Proceedings directly related to the COVID-19 public health emergency.
12. Any emergent proceeding as needed by law enforcement.

The suspension of “jury trials” in Mobile County for **all of March and April** remains in place. All other in-person proceedings are suspended through April 16, 2020 unless your case falls within one of the twelve categories listed above.

DO NOT COME TO COURT unless your case falls within one of the twelve categories above.

DO NOT COME TO COURT if you are uncertain whether your case falls within one of the twelve categories listed above; instead contact your attorney for clarification. If you do not have an attorney, contact the personnel assigned to the judge who is handling the case for clarification.

DATED this 14th day of March 2020.



MICHAEL A. YOUNG-PETER
PRESIDING CIRCUIT JUDGE