

**ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER EXTENDING SUSPENSION OF IN-PERSON  
PROCEEDINGS THROUGH JUNE 1, 2020**

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF LAUDERDALE COUNTY, ALABAMA**

Pursuant to the Administrative Order issued on Thursday, April 30, 2020 in relation to the COVID-19 pandemic, and in our continued efforts to protect the citizens of this county, and after conversations with Homeland Security and the Lauderdale County and State Health Departments the Judicial Branch hereby extends the **SUSPENSION OF ALL IN-PERSON COURT PROCEEDINGS, WITH THE EXCEPTIONS PREVIOUSLY IDENTIFIED IN THE MARCH 16, 2020 ORDER, THROUGH JUNE 1, 2020**. As previously ordered, all suspended or continued cases will be reset by the respective court as soon as practical. All parties are urged to remain in constant contact with legal counsel for case updates and/or questions. If unrepresented, the party shall ensure the Circuit Clerk's Office has their updated contact information. Any emergency issues will be handled pursuant to previous administrative orders.

The Circuit Clerk's office will continue serving the public and court system as in the past, and will have the discretion for in person proceedings while maintaining the recommended safety precautions. You are encouraged to use the locked/drop box located on the 1<sup>st</sup> Floor for payments and filings to minimize personal contact.

The various municipal courts of Lauderdale County, given the unique and situational nature of their traffic violation dockets and their limited ability to conduct virtual hearings, are hereby allowed full discretion to proceed with in-person proceedings in their individual courts. Their resuming of in-person proceedings must consider the continued protection of all court personnel and citizens of Lauderdale County.

Any person experiencing respiratory issues or a fever regardless of suspected Coronavirus **SHALL NOT** attend or appear at any court proceedings. These restrictions apply to individual persons, whether a party, witness, law enforcement or visitor that have travelled outside the United States within the past thirty (30) days, regardless of symptoms.

**DONE AND ORDERED** on this the 15<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2020.

  
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**GILBERT P. SELF**  
**PRESIDING CIRCUIT JUDGE**

**Xc: District Judge Carole C. Medley  
Circuit Judge Ben Graves  
Circuit Judge Will Powell  
Probate Judge Will Motlow  
District Attorney - Chris Connolly  
Circuit Clerk - Missy Homan**