

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR  
THE 19<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF ALABAMA**

Administrative Order # 2020-00017

July 13, 2020

<b>ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER SUSPENDING PERSON-TO-PERSON HEARINGS</b>
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The Court, having conferred with the circuit and district judges of the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit and because of elevated concerns relating to transmission of Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) and the fact that Autauga and Elmore Counties have now been placed in the “Very High Risk” category for infection/transmission of the virus by the State Department of Health, the Supreme Court’s Order of March 13, 2020 is reimplemented and all person-to-person hearings within this circuit are suspended effective at 5:00 p.m. on Monday, July 13, 2020 through close of business on Friday, August 14, 2020 excepting those cases specifically exempted under the Supreme Court’s March 13, 2020 Administrative Order and/or other Orders issued by the Alabama Supreme Court.

Attendance during all court proceedings *permitted under the Supreme Court’s Administrative Order(s)* shall be limited to the following individuals only:

1. Parties (and parents accompanying juveniles)
2. Counsel for the parties
3. Witnesses as needed
4. Court personnel
5. The District Attorney and his staff
6. Court security and law enforcement officers
7. The press

Courthouse security officers are directed to exclude any individual(s) not specifically listed above from admission to the second floor of the Autauga and Elmore County Courthouses or Judicial Complex and the third floor of the Chilton County Courthouse during the period identified above.

Probate and municipal judges within the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit shall ensure that the provisions of this Order are strictly observed and complied with during the person-to-person suspension period.

*Ben A. Fuller*

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BEN A. FULLER, Presiding Judge  
19<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit of Alabama

CC: Hon. Tom Parker, Chief Justice  
Hon. Sibley Reynolds  
Hon. B.J. Lewis  
Hon. Joy Pace Booth  
Hon. Patrick Pinkston  
Hon. Christopher Speaks  
Hon. Glenn Goggans  
Debra Hill, Circuit Clerk  
Glenn McGriff, Circuit Clerk  
Michael Dozier, Circuit Clerk  
C.J. Robinson, Chief Assistant District Attorney  
Dr. Rich Hobson, ADC  
Randall Houston, District Attorney  
Officer Dave Watson  
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