

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF GREENE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

IN RE: OFFICE OF COURT ADMINISTRATION) Court Administration
ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER) Docket No. 1 of 2021

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
COVID-19
Modification of Court Procedures in the 13th Judicial District

AND NOW, this 24th day of February, 2021, in light of the continuing COVID-19 threat:

This Court ORDERS the following:

The scheduling of jury trials in Greene County, Pennsylvania, shall resume in April of 2021.

While this Court will commence criminal jury trials on a limited basis in April of 2021, the statutory right to a speedy trial pursuant to Rule 600 of the Pennsylvania Rules of Criminal Procedure shall continue to be suspended until June 1, 2021, pending further Order of this Court.

The continuing suspension of the statutory right to a speedy trial is due to the limitation on the number of criminal trials the Court can process due to the continuing

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COVID-19 threats and the protocols therefore necessary in an effort to process pending cases safely.

Any rule that prohibits the use of Advanced Communication Technology (ACT) is suspended.

District Judges and Judges of the Court of Common Pleas are encouraged to and granted discretion in determining how Advanced Communication Technology (ACT) shall be utilized.

Unless deemed impractical by the District Judge, all preliminary hearings involving incarcerated Defendants shall proceed by means of Advanced Communication Technology (ACT). This shall remain in effect until June 1, 2021 pending further Order of the Court.

The District Judges are encouraged to permit attorneys to appear by Advanced Communication Technology (ACT) if it is feasible and appropriate.

The District Courts shall stagger the commencement time of scheduled hearings with a view towards limiting the number of people present at any one time.

Courtroom 1 in the Greene County Courthouse shall be limited in capacity to no more than fifty (50) people, excluding attorneys and staff.

Courtroom 2 shall be limited in capacity to no more than fourteen (14) people, excluding attorneys and staff.

Courtroom 3 shall be limited in capacity at the discretion of the Hearing Officer or the presiding Judge.

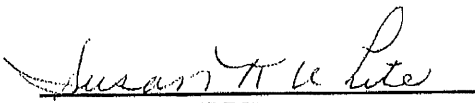
This order shall remain in effect until June 1, 2021 pending further order of this Court.

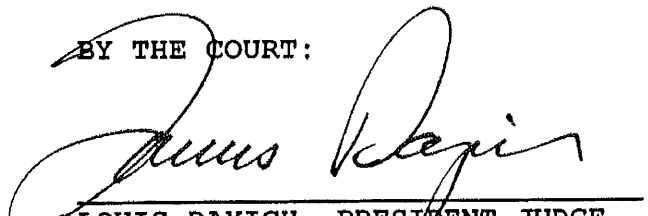
A copy of this order shall be provided to the Greene County District Attorney, the District Courts, all law enforcement agencies and other interested parties.

SO ORDERED AND DECREED

ATTEST:

BY THE COURT:


PROTHONOTARY


LOUIS DAYICH, PRESIDENT JUDGE

Prothonotary of Greene Co. PA
Case No. 20-21-PH-15

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF GREENE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA
IN RE: OFFICE OF COURT ADMINISTRATION) Court Administration
ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER) Docket No. 2 of 2021

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
COVID-19
Modification of Rules Related to Execution of Bench Warrants

AND NOW, this 24th day of February, 2021, we wish to acknowledge that an Administrative Order was entered by this Court on January 7, 2021 which prohibited Greene County Magisterial District Judges from incarcerating any individual for failure to pay fines and costs and also prohibited incarcerating individuals on any existing District Court bench warrants that had been issued for failure to pay fines and costs.

For both the District Courts and the Court of Common Pleas, effective Monday, March 1, 2021 that Order is now RESCINDED. A copy of this Order shall be distributed to the Greene County District Attorney's Office, the District Courts and to all law enforcement agencies and other parties of interests.

SO ORDERED AND DECREED

ATTEST:

BY THE COURT:

Susan M. White
PROTHONOTARY

Louis Dayich
LOUIS DAYICH, PRESIDENT JUDGE

THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA