

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

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IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE

COUNTY OF ALAMANCE

DISTRICT COURT

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ALAMANCE CO., C.S.C. ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

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IN RE: ORDER FOR ARREST ISSUED 12/1/2019 – 5/31/2020

The undersigned Chief District Court Judge of Judicial District 15A enters this Administrative Order pursuant to Governor Roy Cooper declaring a statewide emergency and Chief Justice Cheri Beasley's Administrative Orders in response to the Coronavirus COVID-19.

IT APPEARING TO THE COURT that on March 13, 2020, Governor Roy Cooper declared a state of emergency and recognized that the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services recommends that people at high risk of severe illness from COVID-19 "avoid large groups of people as much as possible" and further recognized that the "people at high risk of severe illness" are "adults over 65 years, those with underlying health conditions including heart disease, lung disease, or diabetes, or with weakened immune systems";

AND IT FURTHER APPEARING TO THE COURT that the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services recommends for "Mass Gathering Events" that the event organizers, in part: 1) urge everyone who is sick not to attend; 2) encourage those who are at high risk as described above not attend; 3) find ways to give people more physical space to limit close contact as much as possible; and 4) encourage attendees to wash hands frequently;

AND IT FURTHER APPEARING TO THE COURT that on March 15, 2020 Chief Justice Cheri Beasley and NCAOC Director McKinley Wooten, Jr. clarified the above referenced Administrative Order by distributing a Coronavirus Update for our Courts addressing some frequently asked questions including but not limited to: In-person meetings must be postponed or cancelled to the fullest extent possible;

AND IT FURTHER APPEARING TO THE COURT that Chief Justice Beasley entered an order on April 2, 2020 postponing court proceedings until June 1, 2020;


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AND IT FURTHER APPEARING TO THE COURT that Article 1, Section 18 of the North Carolina Constitution provides "All courts shall be open; every person for an injury done him in his lands, goods, person, or reputation shall have remedy by due course of law, and right and justice shall be administered without favor, denial or delay";

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

1. If a Defendant is served with an Order for Arrest entered beginning December 1, 2019 through May 31, 2020 for any Class M1, M2 or M3 Misdemeanor; the Magistrate will modify the Defendant's bond to **unsecured**.
2. When the Defendant has been served and brought before the Magistrate, the Magistrate will set a court date on the officer's next assigned court date occurring after August 1, 2020.

This the 19th day of MAY, 2020.


Bradley Reid Allen, Sr.
Chief District Court Judge