

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT,
IN AND FOR CLAY, DUVAL AND NASSAU COUNTIES, FLORIDA**

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 2020-15

**RE: EXTENSION OF BOND FORFEITURE DEADLINES DUE TO THE
CORONAVIRUS PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY**

WHEREAS, on March 9, 2020, Governor DeSantis of the State of Florida declared a state of emergency due to the outbreak of the Coronavirus in our State;

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, the Supreme Court of Florida entered Administrative Order No. AOSC20-13 regarding COVID-19 Emergency Procedures in the Florida State Courts, which ordered the temporary suspension of various court proceedings, including civil jury trials;

WHEREAS, on April 6, 2020, the Supreme Court of Florida entered Administrative Order No. AOSC20-23 regarding Comprehensive COVID-19 Emergency Measures for the Florida State Courts that extended "previously enacted temporary remedial measures...until the close of business on May 29, 2020";

WHEREAS, in order to comply with the instructions from Governor DeSantis and the Supreme Court of Florida, and in order to appropriately respond to the current public health emergency, this Court is extending all deadlines pertaining to the forfeiture of bonds and the payment of bonds forfeited through May 29, 2020;

NOW THEREFORE, by the authority vested in me as the Chief Judge of the Fourth Judicial Circuit and pursuant to the Florida Rules of Judicial Administration, it is hereby

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that:

1. All deadlines pertaining to the forfeiture of bonds and the payment of bonds forfeited are hereby extended through May 29, 2020.
2. This Administrative Order shall be recorded by the Clerk of the Court, in the Official Records of Clay, Duval, and Nassau Counties, in the State of Florida, shall take effect immediately, and shall remain in full force and effect until further order of this Court.

DONE AND ORDERED in Chambers at Jacksonville, Duval County, Florida, this 12th day of May, 2020, nunc pro tunc to March 13, 2020.




MARK H. MAHON
CHIEF JUDGE

- cc: All Judges in the Fourth Judicial Circuit
- All Magistrates in the Fourth Judicial Circuit
- The Honorable Ronnie Fussell, Clerk of Courts, Duval County
- The Honorable John A. Crawford, Clerk of Courts, Nassau County
- The Honorable Tara S. Green, Clerk of Courts, Clay County
- The Honorable Charles G. Cofer, Esq, Public Defender
- The Honorable Melissa W. Nelson, Esq., State Attorney
- The Honorable Jason R. Gabriel, Esq., General Counsel
- The Honorable Mike Williams, Sheriff, Jacksonville Sheriff's Office
- The Honorable Darryl Daniels, Sheriff, Clay County Sheriff's Office
- The Honorable Bill Leeper, Sheriff, Nassau County Sheriff's Office
- Major Claude Colvin, Jacksonville Sheriff's Office, Courthouse Security
- Joseph G. Stelma, Fourth Judicial Circuit Trial Court Administrator
- Eve Janocko, Chief Deputy Trial Court Administrator
- Mike Smith, Court Technology Officer
- Steven Woodard, Emergency Preparedness Director
- Julie K. Taylor, Court Counsel
- Stephen Siegel, Esq., Office of the State Attorney
- Janet Abel, Circuit Director, Office of Criminal Conflict and Civil Regional Counsel
- Fourth Circuit Court Law Library, Duval County
- Judicial Staff Attorneys, Fourth Judicial Circuit
- The Jacksonville Bar Association
- Nassau County Bar Association
- Clay County Bar Association

STATE OF FLORIDA
DUVAL COUNTY
I, **UNDERSIGNED** Clerk of the Circuit & County Courts, Duval County, Florida, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** the within and foregoing, consisting of 2 pages, is a true and correct copy of the original as it appears on record and file in the office of the Clerk of Circuit & County Courts of Duval County, Florida.

WITNESS my hand and seal of Clerk of Circuit & County Courts at Jacksonville, Florida, this the 12th day of May, A.D., 2020

RONNIE FUSSELL
Clerk, Circuit and County Courts
Duval County, Florida

By 
Deputy Clerk