



CIRCUIT COURT  
FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA

HONORABLE JAMES H. DANIEL  
Circuit Judge

NASSAU COUNTY COURTHOUSE  
Robert M. Foster Justice Center

March 19, 2020

TO: The Honorable Mark H. Mahon, Chief Judge, Fourth Judicial Circuit  
The Honorable Steven M. Fahlgren, Circuit Court Judge  
The Honorable Wesley R. Poole, County Court Judge  
The Honorable John A. Crawford, Clerk of Court  
Capt. Paula J. DeLuca, Nassau County Jail/Courthouse  
Sgt. Ken Davis, Nassau County Courthouse Bailiff  
Nassau County Bar Association

FROM: The Honorable James H. Daniel, Administrative Judge

RE: Temporary Suspension of Weekend Jail Sentences

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Please find attached Administrative Order No: 2020-2.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, FOURTH JUDICIAL  
CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR NASSAU COUNTY FLORIDA

**ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO: 2020-2**

RE: **TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF WEEKEND JAIL SENTENCES**

**WHEREAS**, the emergency related to the COVID-19 virus (coronavirus) pandemic has disrupted the operations of the court system;

**WHEREAS**, the health and safety of employees of the Nassau County Sheriff's Office (NCSO) working at the Nassau County Jail and the inmates is of utmost importance;

**WHEREAS**, the COVID-19 virus is highly contagious with no current vaccine to limit its spread and no known medication to eliminate the virus in the bodies of those infected;

**WHEREAS**, inmates serving their jail sentences exclusively on the weekend in the Nassau County Jail pursuant to the Judgment and Sentence in their case are more likely to be exposed to COVID-19 while out of custody and put both the employees of the NCSO and the inmates at greater risk;

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Judge of the Fourth Judicial Circuit has delegated authority to the Administrative Judge for Nassau County to establish temporary procedures;

**WHEREAS**, the undersigned has conferred with the County Court Judge who is in agreement with this order;

**NOW THEREFORE**, by the authority vested in the undersigned, **IT IS ORDERED**:

1. All weekend sentences for the Nassau County Jail are hereby suspended as of the date of this order until Friday, May 22, 2020.



2. Those inmates serving all or a portion of their sentence(s) exclusively on the weekend in the Nassau County Jail shall report to the jail on Friday, May 22, 2020, no later than 6:00 p.m. to resume their weekend jail service.

3. No sentence imposed by a presiding judge in the circuit or county courts in Nassau County shall include weekend jail service that will start any earlier than May 22, 2020.

4. Those inmates that **timely** appear (before 6:00 p.m.) on Friday, March 20, 2020, shall be credited one day of jail service and then immediately released until their next required appearance on May 22, 2020.

**DONE AND ORDERED** in Chambers at Yulee, Nassau County, Florida, this the 19<sup>TH</sup> day of March, 2020.

  
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JAMES H. DANIEL