



FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
DUVAL COUNTY COURTHOUSE

Honorable Russell L. Healey
Judge of Circuit Court

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COVID-19 PROCEDURES

Beginning immediately and until further Order of the Court, all family law hearings, including ex parte, will be conducted by telephone or video conferencing. The parties should confer and agree on which party shall initiate a telephone or video conference before contacting the Judge's chambers. If the parties cannot agree, then the moving party will be responsible for arranging all parties' appearance on telephone or video conference. If one or more parties are Pro Se, opposing counsel shall arrange to have Pro Se parties on the telephone or video conference before contacting the Court. The parties are also responsible for making court reporter arrangements, Notices of Hearing shall specify the nature of the hearing (telephone or video conference) and telephone numbers and/or websites to be utilized in order to allow attorneys, parties and witnesses to participate.

If the parties agree to utilize video conferencing, such hearings will be conducted using the ZOOM application, available at www.ZOOM.us In cases in which it is feasible to present testimony by audio or video, counsel are advised to consult Rule 1.451 Fla. R. of Civil Procedure. It is up to the parties to initiate the ZOOM "invite" to the court by emailing the invite to bpowell@coj.net

Setting cases for trial will be handled by sending a Motion to Set via email to bpowell@coj.net and setting same for hearing during Ex Parte.

Any submissions or evidence for hearings that the parties wish the Court to consider should be sent to the Court as an email attachment at least 3 business days before the hearing. Request to submit physical documents or evidence to the Court should be submitted in writing and sent to the Judge. Any party who believes an in-person hearing is necessary may submit a request to the Judge. Such request shall be determined on a case-by-case basis.