

CIRCUIT COURT FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA

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NASSAU COUNTY COURTHOUSE Robert M. Foster Justice Center

March 23, 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 Marriage Licenses Services in Nassau County

Please find attached Administrative Order No: 2020-4.

Inst. Number: 202045009469 Book: 2349 Page: 752 Page 1 of 1 Date: 3/23/2020 Time: 4:49 PM John A. Crawford Clerk of Courts, Nassau County, Florida

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

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO: 2020-4

RE: TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF MARRIAGE LICENSE SERVICES AT ROBERT M. FOSTER JUSTICE CENTER AND HISTORIC COURTHOUSE IN FERNANDINA BEACH

WHEREAS, by Administrative Order 2020-3, the undersigned restricted access to the Robert M. Foster Justice Center and the Historic Courthouse in Fernandina (hereafter collectively "Nassau County Courthouses") to the general public, with certain exceptions, based on concerns raised by the current COVID-19 emergency;

WHEREAS, one of the exceptions allowed for members of the general public to access the Nassau County Courthouses to obtain a marriage license;

WHEREAS, the Clerk of the Courts has been inundated with marriage license requests since the entry of Administrative Order 2020-3 and has had difficulty regulating access to the Nassau County Courthouses in accordance with CDC Guidelines;

WHEREAS, the safety of the employees working at the Nassau County Courthouses is paramount;

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

- 1. Administrative Order 2020-3 is hereby amended and the issuance of marriage licenses at the Nassau County Courthouses will no longer be considered an essential service;
- 2. As of the date of this order, the Clerk of the Court shall temporarily suspend the issuance of marriage licenses at the Nassau County Courthouses until further order of this court.

DONE AND ORDERED in Chambers at Yulee, Nassau County, Florida, this the 23RD day of March, 2020.

JAMES II. DANIEL