
SECOND ORDER REGARDING EMERGENCY TEMPORARY MEASURES

The Bayfield County Circuit Court is issuing these guidelines to provide information regarding procedures and proceedings in the Bayfield County Circuit Court during the next several weeks. These Guidelines are Emergency and Temporary Measures ONLY effective March 18, 2020, until further Order of the Court. **Effective March 20, 2020**, the County courthouse is **closed to the public; however, court operations remain open**. Court proceedings not otherwise closed to the public are open; however, the Court strongly suggests the public use all social distancing criteria and adhere to Governor Evers' orders.

Entry into the courtroom will require the use of a facial mask.

The World Health Organization declared a global pandemic of COVID-19 due to widespread human infection worldwide. We are monitoring this situation and are committed to open access to our courts and service to the public, and to protect the health and safety of the litigants, judges, court staff and security, attorneys, jurors, other participants in court proceedings, and all other persons in the court facilities.

These guidelines are in place to ensure the continuous performance of the court's essential functions and operations and yet seek to mitigate the risk that our employees, lawyers, litigants, and jurors will be exposed. The guidelines incorporate use of videoconferencing and teleconferencing to minimize contact, when appropriate, and follow social distancing practices.

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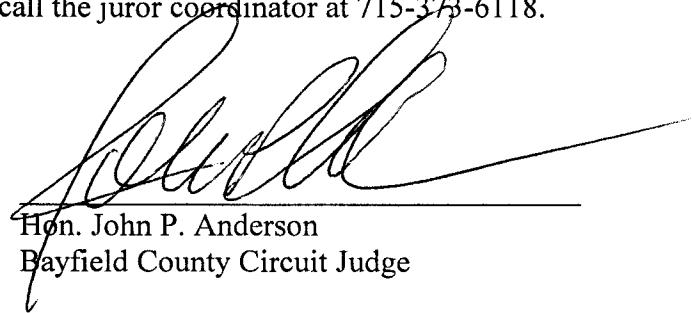
- **The Wisconsin Supreme Court has issued temporary orders regarding in-person proceedings and jury trials. These orders, dated March 22, 2020, are incorporated**

herein without further reference, together with Chief Judge Maureen Boyle's order, dated March 23, 2020, regarding the situations where in-person proceedings may occur.

- In an effort to give parties, litigants, attorneys, victims, witnesses and the public reasonable access to court proceedings, a Zoom audio and video account has been established for all court proceedings during this emergency and will stay in effect until at least April 30, 2020, and may be extended thereafter. The specific Zoom connection information will be provided to the parties/participants in each case.
- The Court will take reasonable steps to schedule matters to a date far enough in the future so as to better ascertain what the then existing public health threat may be, **unless the circumstances of the case require more immediate attention.**
- Cases will proceed as currently scheduled unless otherwise notified by the Court.
- The Court will expect all who use court facilities to exercise good judgment and follow recommendations issued by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention www.cdc.gov **and follow all public health orders issued in Wisconsin.**
- Any case in which Judge John P. Anderson is not the presiding judge is not affected by these guidelines.

For more information on any specific case, please call the Clerk of Court's office at 715-373-6108. For information related to jury service, call the juror coordinator at 715-373-6118.

Dated this 8th day of April, 2020.



Hon. John P. Anderson
Bayfield County Circuit Judge