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**SPECIAL ORDER**

STATE OF TEXAS	)	IN THE COUNTY COURTS
	)	HEARING CIVIL AND CRIMINAL
	)	MATTERS
	)	
COUNTY OF BEXAR	)	1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11, 12, 13, 14, & 15

**SUPPLEMENTAL STANDING ORDER REGARDING OPERATIONS OF  
COUNTY COURTS AT LAW DURING COVID-19 PANDEMIC**

In the continuing interest of protecting public safety, along with the intent to provide access to the Courts for timely resolution of matters pending, and consistent with the Third Emergency Order regarding the COVID-19 State of Disaster issued by the Supreme Court of Texas (Misc. Docket No. 20-9044) and Court of Criminal Appeals (Misc. Docket No. 20-008), the Judges of the County Courts at Law have agreed to the following updated Order:

1. All jury trials are suspended and the County Courts will not hold any non-essential in-person proceedings, until at least May 15, 2020;
2. Essential in-person proceedings may only occur if holding the proceeding remotely is not possible or feasible. In that event, there may be no more than 10 people gathered in the courtroom or in areas around the courtroom; and participants in the courtroom must be separated consistent with social distancing and other precautions;
3. Courts may conduct remote proceedings through Zoom videoconference as ordered by each individual Court; and
4. Previously filed Criminal Court Standing Orders SO 04 2020 and SO 03 2020, and the Civil County Courts Supplemental Standing Order filed on April 2, 2020, shall remain in effect.

This Order will remain in effect until May 15, 2020, pursuant to the above-referenced Texas Supreme Court Order(s), or until further order of the County Court Judges.

It is ORDERED that this Order be filed for record with the County Clerk of Bexar County.

SIGNED, ORDERED, AND ENTERED ON THIS \_\_\_ day of April, 2020 by:

  
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 John A. Longoria (Apr 16, 2020)  
 John A. Longoria  
 Administrative Judge