

SPECIAL ORDER NO. 727215

IN THE STATE OF TEXAS §
 §
COUNTY OF BEXAR §

ORDER OF THE BEXAR COUNTY LOCAL ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE
SUSPENDING JURY SERVICE

The Covid-19 positivity rate continues to rise in Bexar County. The local health authority advises that the number of Bexar County Covid-19 infections continues in a direct upward trend and is projected to peak in late August, 2021. After careful deliberation and consultation with the local health authority, and in an abundance of caution, the Court has determined the best course of action is to suspend jury service. Jury trials that have already begun may continue through verdict.

Therefore, by authority of the Texas Supreme Court's 40th Emergency Order and as described in Attorney General Opinion KP-0322, it is HEREBY ORDERED that in person jury service in Bexar County be immediately suspended.

The Court's previously entered order requiring all persons involved in court business to wear face coverings when entering the Bexar County Courthouse, the Cadena Reeves Justice Center, the Paul Elizondo Tower, the Tejeda Juvenile Justice Center, the 600 Mission Rd. Building (386th District Court), all Justice of the Peace buildings, and any building housing any specialty courts, remains in effect. Further, it is strongly encouraged that all courts consider moving, as much as possible, to remote proceedings.

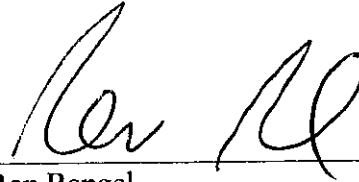
This measure is taken in an effort to reduce the spread of the Covid-19 and to ensure the health and safety of all courtroom participants and visitors entering Bexar County Courts.

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Lastly, anyone who is eligible for the vaccine and has not yet been vaccinated is strongly encouraged to do so. For more information about how to obtain a vaccine visit, <https://covid19.sanantonio.gov/What-YOU-Can-Do/Vaccination#get-vaccinated> or call 210-207-6000 and select option 8 for the Covid-19 hotline.

This order will take effect immediately. Signed, Entered and Ordered this the 4th Day of August, 2021.



Ron Rangel
Judge of the 379th District Court and
Local Administrative Judge for the
Bexar County Courts

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