



SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF
WASHINGTON
FOR CLARK COUNTY

GENERAL ORDER 20-10

EMERGENCY CIVIL PROTECTION ORDER RULE

Adopted: March 23, 2020

Updated: May 4, 2020

Requests for Civil Protection orders are still being accepted for filing at the Clark County Superior Court Clerk's Office.

Beginning May 4, 2020, all Tuesday, Domestic Violence Protection Order (DVPO) dockets and Thursday, non-DVPO dockets are moving forward by remote means (no in person hearings). These will be scheduled via telephone or video, at the direction of the assigned judicial officer.

All petitions received in the Superior Court Clerk's Office by 11:00AM will be reviewed the same day by a judicial officer ex parte. Petitions received after 11:00AM will be reviewed ex parte by a judicial officer the next court business day. Review hearing of all temporary orders entered will be held by telephone or video, at the direction of the assigned judicial officer on a date set by the Superior Court.

Granted orders will be available at the Clark County Clerk's Office after 3:30PM on the day they are reviewed by the judicial officer or make other arrangements with the Clerk's Office to obtain orders.

- A. If a Temporary DVPO/Notice of Hearing is currently in effect and the court signed a Reissuance Order keeping the Temporary DVPO in effect with a new

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court date set after May 4, 2020, the Petitioner must serve the Respondent with the Petition for DVPO, Temporary DVPO and the Reissuance Order.

- B. If a Petition to Renew an Order of Protection was filed and court signed a Temporary Extension of the DVPO with a new court date after May 4, 2020, the Petitioner must serve the Respondent with the Temporary Extension in addition to the Petition to Renew the DVPO.

- C. If a Petition to Modify or to obtain the Order Terminating/Modifying the DVPO or a Notice of Hearing. The moving party must serve the Notice of Hearing to the other party in addition to the Petition to Modify/Terminate the DVPO.

Requests for a special set hearing will be considered for any emergent or emergency matters regarding child safety and welfare, medical issues or any use of a weapon that would require a Protection Order. To request a special set for telephonic or video hearing, contact the Commissioner's Judicial Assistant at rebecca.wittenborn@clark.wa.gov

Dated this 4th day of May, 2020



Scott A. Collier, Presiding Judge

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