



SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF
WASHINGTON
FOR CLARK COUNTY

GENERAL ORDER 20-11

EMERGENCY EX PARTE RULE

Adopted: March 23, 2020

Updated: June 3, 2020

Beginning March 24, 2020, all attorneys and self-represented litigants must submit ex parte orders to the Clark County Clerk's Office by 11:00AM to be reviewed by a judicial officer the same day.

Beginning March 23, 2020, all ex parte orders received in the Superior Court Clerk's Office by 11:00AM will be reviewed the same day by the assigned ex parte judicial officer. Ex parte orders received after 11:00AM will be reviewed the assigned ex parte judicial officer the next court business day.

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.

All Family Law Ex Parte Temporary Restraining Orders and Orders to Show Cause shall be directed to the assigned judicial officer.

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Requests for Civil Protection orders shall be submitted ex parte per General Order 20-10
Emergency Civil Protection Order Rule.

Dated this 3rd day of June, 2020



Scott A. Collier, Presiding Judge

Supersedes: Order Adopted March 23, 2020

Case Type	Type of Order	Send to Ex-parte
All	Agreed Orders	Yes Ex-parte judicial officer will review • Except for Agreed Guardianship/Probate Orders – direct party to assigned department.
ALL (Assigned Dept.)	Orders to Show Cause (except Unlawful Detainers)	No Direct party to assigned department
2	Unlawful Detainer - Orders to Show Cause Per Governor's Proclamation 20-19.2	Yes Ex-parte judicial officer will review
2	DVPO or Non-DV Order of Protection	Yes Ex-parte judicial officer will review
3 & 5 No assigned department	New Family Law / Civil Cases • Fee waivers & any other orders, including TROs	Yes Ex-parte judicial officer will review • Judicial officer will need to set hearing date/time for orders requiring a hearing.
3 & 5 (Assigned Dept.)	Family Law – Existing Case • Modification - Fee Waiver Only	Yes Ex-parte judicial officer will review
3 & 5 (Assigned Dept.)	Family Law – Existing Case • Restraining Order or Order to Show Cause (with or without fee waiver)	No Direct party to assigned judicial officer
4	New Probate • Appointment of Personal Rep (not contested)	Yes Ex-parte judicial officer will review
4	New Probate • Appointment of Personal Rep (contested)	No Direct party to assigned department
4	New Guardianship • Fee Waivers & Appointments of GAL • GAL orders for extension or additional hours	Yes Ex-parte judicial officer will review
4	Guardianship • Agreed Orders • Any other order not mentioned above	No Direct party to assigned department