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6 **IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF WASHINGTON,**
7 **COUNTY OF PIERCE**
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10 IN RE THE MATTER OF THE RESPONSE
11 BY PIERCE COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT
12 TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY
IN WASHINGTON STATE

Emergency Order: 20-13

EMERGENCY ORDER #13
PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY ORDER
REGARDING PROTOCOL
AMENDMENTS

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14 This matter comes before the Court again on the COVID-19 public health emergency in
15 Washington State.

16 Pierce County Superior Court Emergency Orders #1, #2, #3, #4, #5, #6, #7, #8, #9, #10
17 #11 and #12, as well as Supreme Court Orders 25700-B-602 and 607 are incorporated by
18 reference.

19 In a continuing and expanding effort to reduce the incidents of close contact between
20 employees of Pierce County Superior Court, Pierce County Prosecutor's Office, the Department
21 of Assigned Counsel, those engaged in either conflict or private defense of the accused, Pierce
22 County Corrections staff, and members of the public; and,
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24 Because certain previously issued Emergency Orders have attached and published
25 protocol documents that describe procedures for specific court proceedings, and because certain

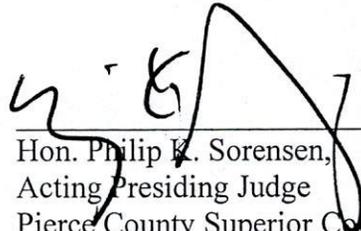
1 protocols may necessarily evolve or change to enable efficient and fair access to, and
2 administration of, justice;

3 **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that:

4 Any temporary emergency protocol adopted and published may be updated or modified
5 as necessary during this period.

6 Any updates or modifications to temporary emergency protocols shall be reduced to
7 writing and published on the Pierce County Superior Court Website as they become available.
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9 DATED this 27th day of March 2020.

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12 Hon. Philip K. Sorensen,
13 Acting Presiding Judge
Pierce County Superior Court

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