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Marysville Municipal Court

**MARYSVILLE MUNICIPAL COURT  
COUNTY OF SNOHOMISH  
STATE OF WASHINGTON**

**In the Matter of**

**Emergency Response to a Threat of  
Public Health**

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**EMERGENCY  
ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER  
NO 2020-07**

WHEREAS, On February 29, 2020, Governor Jay Inslee declared a state of emergency due to the public health crisis posed by the spread of the coronavirus (COVID 19). This state of emergency continues to the present day, and is expected to exist going forward. On November 15, 2020, Governor Inslee announced a doubling of coronavirus transmission rates has occurred in the past two weeks in Washington State, further endangering public safety. Effective November 16, 2020, indoor social gatherings are banned for non-family members.

WHEREAS, the State Supreme Court of Washington has previously authorized the Presiding Judge of the District and Municipal Courts to suspend court rules as necessary to promote the public safety while keeping the courts as open as possible, and this Court has enacted Emergency Administrative Orders as follows:

- Marysville Emergency Administrative Order 2020-03
- Marysville Emergency Administrative Order 2020-04
- Marysville Emergency Administrative Order 2020-05
- Marysville Emergency Administrative Order 2020-06

WHEREAS, the latest public health numbers in Washington State and in particular Snohomish County show that there is danger in having indoor gatherings of any size, and

WHEREAS, this court has taken steps to ensure continued access to justice while protecting the public safety and health,


**NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED**

- 1) Jury trials are suspended, effective immediately until after January 31, 2021. This action is deemed necessary as it is not physically possible to gather prospective jurors, empanel a jury and allow that jury to deliberate, while maintaining the social distancing requirements set out by the State Department of Health.

- 2) Pursuant to the authority granted by the Washington State Supreme Court in paragraph 12 and 23 of Order No. 25700-B-646 and as the Judges of the Marysville Municipal Court, we find that the current rise of cases of COVID -19 is an unavoidable circumstance requiring the suspension of the time for trial rule CrRLJ 3.3(e) (3). Therefore, the time between November 16, 2020 and the next scheduled court date after January 31, 2021 shall be EXCLUDED when calculating time for trial. Furthermore, all jury trials currently scheduled in the year 2020 and January, 2021 are cancelled and shall be reset after January 31, 2021.
- 3) After January 31, 2021, the court may further exclude time under these rules based on individual findings of "unavoidable circumstance" due to COVID-19 or other circumstances.

This order may be modified consistent with the Court's continual assessment of the needs of the community as well as the recommendations of public health officials.

DATED this 16th day of November, 2020.



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Fred Gillings,  
Presiding Judge



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Lorrie Towers,  
Judge