

VIRGINIA:

IN THE JUVENILE AND DOMESTIC RELATIONS DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE CITY OF PETERSBURG

**ORDER**


Upon a State of Emergency declared by both the President of the United States and the Governor of Virginia upon consideration of guidelines issued relative to public safety by Federal, State and Local agencies due to the COVID-19 pandemic, it is

ORDERED pursuant to 16.169.35 (5) there will be limited access in the Court from Tuesday, March 17, 2020 until April 6, 2020. All cases involving Child Support; Civil Custody and Visitation; Adult Criminal Cases where the Defendant is not incarcerated; and Juvenile Delinquency (Criminal) Cases where the Juvenile is not held in Detention are hereby CONTINUED. Witnesses subpoenaed for these matters are hereby EXCUSED from appearing.

All currently scheduled court dates for any incarcerated defendant or juvenile in detention will be held as scheduled and are not included within this order of continuance, subject, however, to a written motion filed in any such case of an incarcerated defendant. The Court will also conduct limited hearings including bond motions, petitions for Family Abuse Protective Orders, petitions for Abuse and Neglect, video arraignments of incarcerated persons charged with violations of the criminal code of the Commonwealth and when warranted, emergency motions filed during that period. Whenever possible, these hearings will be conducted by video or telephonically.

This Order shall remain in effect pending further Order of the Court.

ENTERED: 3/16/20

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Phillip T. DiStanislao". The signature is written in a cursive style with some stylized flourishes.

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Phillip T. DiStanislao, Chief Judge