

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF BUCKS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA


IN RE: LIMITED EXTENSION OF : EMERGENCY ORDER NO. 2020-22
JUDICIAL EMERGENCY FOR THE : 43 MM 2020
SEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT - :
USE OF ADVANCED :
COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY; :
SUSPENSION OF RULE-BASED :
RIGHT OF CRIMINAL :
DEFENDANTS TO A PROMPT :
TRIAL; SUSPENSION OF CIVIL AND :
CRIMINAL TRIALS DEMANDING A :
JURY OF 12; ONE MONTH :
SUSPENSION OF ALL CIVIL JURY :
TRIALS :

ORDER

AND NOW, this *5th* day of November, 2020, pursuant to the Supreme Court Orders of April 28, 2020 and May 27, 2020, which allowed the President Judge of any judicial district the discretion to extend the period of judicial emergency beyond June 1, 2020, it is hereby ordered that the judicial emergency declared for the seventh judicial district is extended for the following, limited purposes:

1. Emergency Order No. 2020-16, "Use of Advanced Communication Technology and suspension of Rule-Based Right of Criminal Defendants to a Prompt Trial," is amended to state that unless extended by further order of court, the said order shall expire on February 26, 2021, with all other provisions of the said order remaining as entered.
2. No criminal or civil trials requiring a jury of 12 will be heard prior to January 1, 2021.
3. No civil jury trials will be heard between November 30, 2020, and January 1, 2021.

BY THE COURT:


Wallace H. Bateman Jr., President Judge