

Coronavirus Protocol for Judge Druzinski (revised May 4, 2020)

CIVIL CASES

1. Motion/responses will be accepted for filing and scheduled for hearing on any Monday. Due to the emergency measures in place, the court is exercising its discretion to waive oral arguments pursuant to MCR 2.119(E)(3). The parties will receive an order with the court's ruling on the motion.
2. Civil EDSC/Status/Settlement conferences – the conferences will proceed as scheduled on the assigned date via teleconference in lieu of in person appearance. Counsel will be notified of a specific time. Clients shall be available to consult with counsel if necessary.
3. Alternate dispute resolution hearings shall continue as scheduled, with the parties utilizing video/telephone conferencing.
4. Trials – all trials scheduled through June 30, 2020 are being adjourned. The parties will receive a new trial date via court order.

CRIMINAL CASES

1. Non custody/bond defendants – all criminal matters currently set for any type of hearing will proceed via Zoom videoconferencing. The parties will receive a Zoom email notice of the date and time for the hearing. Counsel is responsible for notifying their client of the hearing.
2. In custody defendants – all criminal matters currently set for any type of hearing in which the defendant is in MCJ will be scheduled on Monday 1:30 -4:00. The hearing will be conducted by Zoom/Polycom and counsel will receive an email with the date and time of the hearing. It is counsel's obligation to speak with their client prior to the hearing.
3. Trials – All trials scheduled through June 22, 2020 will be adjourned and rescheduled at the soonest possible date. The parties will receive a notice with the new trial date.

ALL PARTIES ARE ENCOURAGED TO FREQUENTLY CHECK THE STATUS OF THEIR CASE THROUGH THE CIRCUIT COURT CASE LOOKUP TOOL BELOW:

[CASE LOOK UP TOOL](#)