

4 In Re: Judicial Emergency

5 **ORDER OF COURT**

6 AND NOW, this 22nd day of October, 2020, at the request of the Adams County Constable
7 Association and with the support of the four Magisterial District Judges in Adams County, the Court
8 Hereby Orders the following as it relates to Constable service of Magisterial District Court warrants
9 requiring a defendant be taken into custody:

10 Constables working after business hours as established and defined in the Adams County
11 Constable Manual may institute a field receipt process when attempting to serve a Magisterial District
12 Court warrant requiring detention under the following conditions:

- 13 1. The defendant shall be directed to report to the issuing District Court within seven
14 calendar days of the issuance of the field receipt;
- 15 2. The Constable shall, as soon as possible, notify the issuing District Court of the
16 issuance of the field receipt along with the necessary paperwork to process the
17 effectuation of the warrant;
- 18 3. If the defendant appears within the prescribed seven day period, the Magisterial
19 District Judge shall process this appearance pursuant to their authority and shall
20 forward the Constable fees to the County for payment;
- 21 4. If the defendant fails to appear after the close of business on the seventh calendar day,
22 the Magisterial District Judge shall reissue a bench warrant for the defendant and shall
23 indicate on the reissued warrant that the defendant is not eligible for any further
24 service via field receipts, and any further service of the reissued warrant by a
25 Constable shall be governed by language previously provided for in Supervisory

Orders 2020-SO-40 and 2020-SO-40A;

5. If the defendant fails to appear after the close of business on the seventh calendar day, the Adams County Constable Association agrees that the serving Constable shall forfeit payment of fees.
6. If the Adams County Constable Association changes its position regarding payment of fees subsequent to this Order, it shall notify the District Court Administrator in writing, and thereafter the Court will consider vacating this Order and relying solely on the language previously provided for under Supervisory Orders 2020-SO-40 and 2020-SO-40A related to service of Magisterial District Court warrants requiring detention.
7. Supervisory Orders No. 2020-SO-40 and No. 2020-SO-40A are amended to include the content of this Order.

BY THE COURT,

MICHAEL A. GEORGE

President Judge

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All Court/County Offices

Adams County Constable Association