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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF PENNSYLVANIA

In Re: 51ST Judicial District---Request for : No. 51 MM 2020
 Emergency Judicial Order :

1. Michael A. George, President Judge of the 51st Judicial District, hereby requests the following relief by Order of the Supreme Court:

a. Authorize the president judge to declare a judicial emergency in this judicial district and take any actions authorized by Pa.R.J.A. No. 1952(B)(2).

b. Suspend or modify statewide procedural or administrative rules in this judicial district as follows:

1. Authorize the expanded use of advanced communication technology to conduct court proceedings as follows:

Suspension of Pa.R.Crim.P. 119 until September 30, 2021.

2. The circumstances necessitating this request for an emergency judicial order are as follows:

- a. A nationwide pandemic involving the Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19);
- b. The continued judicial emergency in place in the 51st Judicial District, and
- c. Adams County remaining in the category of "Substantial" level of community transmission of COVID-19 per CDC definition as of the date of this application.
- d. Adams County experiencing an increase in COVID infection rates including the highly contagious delta variant.

3. To the extent possible and practical under the circumstances, notice of this request for an emergency judicial order has been or will be posted in the courthouse and other judicial offices, posted on the county's website, provided to the Adams County Bar Association, submitted to

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the Administrative Office of Pennsylvania Courts for publication pursuant to Rule of Judicial Administration No. 1952(C)(5) and published in the Adams County Legal Journal.

- 4. Interested parties are advised that objections to any emergency judicial order issued by the Supreme Court should be transmitted to the Supreme Court Prothonotary.

BY THE COURT,

MICHAEL A. GEORGE
President Judge, 51st Judicial District
July 28, 2021

