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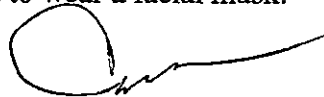
ORDER

The Court has reviewed the order, **In Re Administrative Rule 17 Emergency Relief for Indiana Trial Courts Relating to the 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID -19)**, dated April 3, 2020; the most recent Presidential Declaration regarding the **COVID-19** pandemic; and, the **Declaration of Emergency In Response to the Coronavirus 2019 Epidemic** issued by the Lake County Board of Commissioners dated April 2, 2020.

This Court's superseding orders related to **COVID-19** were **anticipatory** rather than **reactive**. Given the unpredictability and danger of the coronavirus affecting our nation and this region it is and was deemed essential and necessary that proactive measures be taken to protect citizens of this community and all employees of the **Lorenzo Arredondo Justice Center**.

The herein order is both **anticipatory** and **reactive**. Because of the unpredictability and danger of **COVID-19** this Court continues to underscore the potential dangers and risks of entering any and all public buildings. And anyone, who enters such public buildings at this precarious time, does same at his/her own risk. Nevertheless, the Lake Superior Court, (**Lorenzo Arredondo Justice Center**), Room Two, sitting in East Chicago, Indiana will only hear cases it deems as emergencies, specifically protective order requests and mental commitment hearings, between the hours of 9:00 AM to 12:00 Noon, Monday through Friday, commencing April 7, 2020 through May 1, 2020. Court staff shall also work remotely and technolocally through May 1, 2020 and/or upon further order of the Court. And pursuant to the **Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's** recent recommendation, all employees in the **Lorenzo Arrendondo Justice Center** and lawyers entering the building are required to wear a facial mask.

SO ORDERED this 6th day of April, 2020.



CALVIN D. HAWKINS, JUDGE
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