

**Emergency Pandemic Protocols  
Gary City Court  
Judge Deidre L. Monroe**

Based upon the pandemic metrics issued by the Indiana State Department of Health, as of February 16, 2021, Lake County is now in the "Orange Zone." Therefore, effective immediately, the Court adopts the recommendations of Governor Eric Holcomb, ISDH and the Resuming Court Operations Task Force, and initiates the following protocols:

1. Gary City Court will reopen to the public for trials and plea agreements on March 1, 2021.
2. Attorneys may appear remotely for cases when requesting continuances. All hearings will be held at the usual times. If an attorney needs to speak with the Lake County Prosecutor, then please log on fifteen (15) minutes before the Court call begins.

**Criminal/Traffic/City Code – Court Calls Zoom contact:**

**Zoom Meeting ID: 218 458 7068 Password: 6GTFVV**

**Civil/Night/Saturday – Court Calls Zoom contact:**

**Zoom Meeting ID: 317 818 8474 Password: bx82v3**

If you do not have Zoom capabilities to participate, you may call the Zoom telephone number at (312) 626-6799 US (Chicago), please enter, when prompted, the meeting ID and password listed below:

**Meeting ID: 218 458 7068 Password: 501850 Criminal/Traffic/City Code**

**Meeting ID: 317 818 8474 Password: 726642 Civil/Night/Saturday Court**

3. The best contact for the court is as follows:  
Phone: (219) 881-1271  
Facsimile: (219) 881-1278
4. Wearing face coverings and submitting to temperature checks are required to enter the Courtroom.
5. These protocols shall remain in effect until April 3, 2021.
6. On April 5, 2021, the Gary City Court will return to full operation, unless Lake County returns to the "Red Zone." However, Gary City Court will operate at 50% capacity to allow for proper social distancing.

**Please note that Rule 2.17 of the Indiana Code of Conduct prohibits the recording of the Court proceedings. Therefore, anyone who participates in, sees or hearings Gary City Court's proceedings is now ORDERED not to participate in or record the proceedings in any manner. Violations of Rule 2.17 shall result in Contempt of Court.**