COUNTY COURT AT LAW

BASTROP COUNTY

COURT PROCEEDINGS PER THIRD EMERGENCY ORDER OF THE

SUPREME COURT OF TEXAS AND THE COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEALS OF TEXAS

- 1. These procedures are effective immediately and will continue until Midnight May 8th, 2020.
- 2. All Jury Trials are cancelled.
- 3. All previously scheduled hearings and dockets are cancelled.
- 4. The Court will not conduct non-essential proceedings in person.
- 5. For essential proceedings, please contact the Court to arrange a time and place for a hearing. The Court reserves the right to conduct any hearing in the manner that best protects the public health, the right to public proceedings, and the best interest of justice, consistent with recent emergency and disaster declarations by State of Texas and Bastrop County.
- 6. For hearings that do not require parties to be present, please contact the Court to arrange the time for the hearing.
 - a. Deliver to the Court any pleadings to be heard;
 - b. Deliver to the Court a Statement of Facts for each Witness, which may be self-affirmed;
 - c. Deliver to the Court any necessary written brief of the legal argument.
 - d. The record of the proceedings may be the Judge's notes.
 - e. The Court in its discretion may require the official reporter provide a court reporter's record for contested proceedings.
 - f. The Attorney requesting the hearing is responsible to arrange for the telephone conference for the hearing.
- 7. Family Law Possession Order: All possession orders shall continue to be subject to the applicable, previously published school calendar. Accordingly, all child possession schedules establishing access to a child or children under a court-ordered possession schedule are not affected by any school's closure that arises from an epidemic or pandemic and the original published school schedule controls.

IT IS ORDERED.

Signed this the <u>W</u> day of

BENTON ESKEW, Judge

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Sarah Loucks District Clerk, Bastrop County