

March 20, 2020

Greetings,

On the evening of March 18, 2020 I received Order No. 25700-B-606 from the Supreme Court of Washington.

Paragraph 2 of the Order states: "All non-emergency civil matters shall be continued until After April 24, 2020."

Just after 12:00 p.m. today (March 20, 2020) I received Amended Order No. 25700-B-607 from the Supreme Court of Washington (Order attached).

**Paragraph 2 of the Amended Order states: "All non-emergency civil matters shall be continued until After April 24, 2020, except those motions, actions on agreed orders, conferences or other proceedings that can appropriately be conducted by telephone, video or other means that does not require in-person attendance."**

Upon receipt of the Order received on March 18<sup>th</sup>, Kitsap County Superior Court put in motion a plan to accommodate emergency matters. I signed Orders today providing guidance to family law, probate, guardianship and civil practitioners as to how to proceed .

The Amended Order may not change that landscape. However, it could be interpreted as broadening the scope of work we can do. I will continue this dialog with the Team Captains.

As I write this I can say that the Superior Court Office will be open Monday, but we will be significantly short-staffed due to the Health District investigation. Please bear this in mind if you are trying to contact court administrative offices during the week of March 23rd.

Please stand by as things continue to evolve.

Yours, Kevin

Kevin Hull  
Presiding Judge  
Kitsap County Superior Court