

March 23, 2020

Greetings,

Earlier this evening Governor Inslee announced a “Stay at Home” Order that becomes effective in 48 hours.

All non-essential gatherings are prohibited. Governor Inslee specifically referenced a ban on in-person social, spiritual and recreational gatherings.

Governor Inslee’s “Stay at Home” Order does not apply to essential businesses and essential public offices. Governor Inslee specifically stated that this “Stay at Home” Order does not apply to the courts.

According to the “Stay at Home” Order, essential public offices such as the courts must enforce six-foot social distancing. Last week, Kitsap County Superior Court and District Court signed [Emergency Administrative Order 2020-3](#). This Order specifically authorizes judicial officers to enforce six-foot social distancing in our courtrooms and throughout the Kitsap County Courthouse. Please read it.

Kitsap County Superior Court and Kitsap County District Court will be open tomorrow and engaged in the public’s business consistent with previously issued orders.

Yours, Kevin & Jeff

Kevin Hull
Presiding Judge
Kitsap County Superior Court

Jeffery Jahns
Presiding Judge
Kitsap County District Court