COVID-19 PROCEDURES

Each juror shall do their part to help us respond to this emerging public health threat caused by Covid-19 by following the below CDC guidelines:

- 1. Wear a cloth face covering in public settings to avoid spreading COVID-19 to others in case you are infected but do not have symptoms. A face covering will be required in the courthouse and/or an alternate site for all potential jurors, so please bring your own if possible.
- 2. The cloth face cover is meant to protect other people in case you are infected. The cloth face covering is not a substitute for social distancing.
- 3. The CDC continues to recommend that everyone maintain at least six (6) feet between themselves and others, while standing, in line or around others, and when seated.
- 4. Stay home when you are sick, except to get medical care. Contact the Clerk's office for an excuse from court.
- 5. Cover your coughs and sneezes with a tissue; then throw the tissue in the trash.
- 6. Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, especially after going to the bathroom; before eating; and after blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing. If soap and water are not available, use hand sanitizer that contains at least sixty percent (60%) alcohol.
- 7. Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.
- 8. Clean frequently touched surfaces and objects daily.
- 9. Handshakes and "high-fives" are often exchanged at meetings and sporting events, and these can be ways in which COVID-19 can be transmitted from person to person. Please refrain from close personal contact with non-members of your household.
- 10. If you get a fever or cough, consider whether you might have COVID-19, depending on where you live, your travel history, and other exposures. All of the United States is seeing some level of community spread of COVID-19. You may ask to be tested for COVID-19 by contacting a medical provider or health department, but it is important that you know there is no cure for this virus. Most people who get the virus have mild illness and are able to recover at home without medical care.
- 11. People sixty-five (65) years and older and people with serious underlying medical conditions should take special precautions because they are at higher risk of developing severe COVID-19 illness.