

**SPECIAL COVID-19 INSTRUCTIONS**  
**FOR JURORS**

**IF YOU HAVE BEEN DIAGNOSED WITH ANY ILLNESS OR IF YOU ARE THE PRIMARY CAREGIVER FOR A VULNERABLE PERSON WHO HAS BEEN DIAGNOSED WITH ANY ILLNESS, PLEASE CONTACT THE CLERK'S OFFICE BY TELEPHONE. DO NOT COME TO THE COURTHOUSE WITHOUT SPEAKING WITH COURT PERSONNEL.**

**BY ORDER OF THE SUPREME COURT OF MISSISSIPPI, ALL JURORS MUST WEAR FACEMASKS WHILE IN COURT. IF YOU DO NOT HAVE A FACEMASK, ONE WILL BE PROVIDED TO YOU WHEN YOU APPEAR IN COURT FOR JURY DUTY.**

**ALL JURY MEMBERS ARE SUBJECT TO HAVING THEIR TEMPERATURE CHECKED BEFORE ENTERING THE COURTROOM.**

**WHEN YOU APPEAR FOR JURY DUTY, PLEASE STAY AT LEAST SIX (6) FEET AWAY FROM OTHERS AND ENGAGE IN AS MUCH SOCIAL DISTANCING AS IS POSSIBLE.**

**BY LAW, AS NOTED IN THE OTHER INSTRUCTIONS THAT WERE INCLUDED WITH YOUR JURY SUMMONS, ANY PERSON OVER AGE SIXTY-FIVE (65) MAY BE EXEMPT FROM JURY SERVICE. BY ORDER OF THE MISSISSIPPI SUPREME COURT, JUDGES ARE GRANTED THE AUTHORITY TO EXTEND JUROR-AGE EXEMPTIONS TO PERSONS SIXTY (60) YEARS OF AGE AND OLDER. ANY PERSON AGE SIXTY (60) YEARS OF AGE OF OLDER THAT DESIRES TO CLAIM THIS EXEMPTION MAY NOTIFY THE CLERK OF THIS COURT OF HIS/HER DESIRE TO CLAIM THIS EXEMPTION WITHOUT HAVING TO APPEAR IN COURT.**

**DUE TO THE ONGOING OUTBREAK OF COVID-19, AND THE RAPIDLY CHANGING NATURE OF THE ILLNESS, COURT PROCEEDINGS ARE SUBJECT TO BEING CANCELLED OR POSTPONED ON SHORT NOTICE. THEREFORE, ON THE EVENING BEFORE YOU ARE TO APPEAR FOR JURY DUTY, PLEASE CALL 662-285-6245 AND/OR LOG ON TO THE CHOCTAW COUNTY CIRCUIT CLERK'S FACEBOOK PAGE FOR INSTRUCTIONS AS TO WHETHER YOU NEED TO APPEAR THE FOLLOWING DAY.**