

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF BENTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS

STATE DISTRICT 1 – DIVISION 1 – ROGERS

RESCHEDULING ORDER

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THE DISTRICT COURT OF
BENTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS
ROGERS DIVISION

Now on this 16th day of March, 2020, comes the Court, Sua Sponte, for the sake of public health and welfare and, due to the unprecedented logistical issues facing our community stemming the current health crisis regarding "COVID-19", the Court hereby Orders the following:


1. All "Open Court" sessions between the date of this Order and May 4th are hereby cancelled. The District Court Clerk and her Deputy Clerks are hereby authorized to reset "payment due" dates and other due dates for "non-monetary Orders" for persons that appear in person in the lobby of the Court. Those continuances/"resets" shall be consistent with forthcoming verbal directions from the District Court Judge.
2. The Arraignment dates of March 17th, 24th, and 31st of 2020 are hereby rescheduled to May 28, 2020. The District Court Clerk shall undertake to notify any affected party via U. S. Mail at their last known address. Any Party that appears in person on the above listed Arraignment dates shall be notified in writing of the new court date listed immediately above.
3. The Arraignment dates of April 7th, 21st, and 28th of 2020 are hereby rescheduled to May 29, 2020. The District Court Clerk shall undertake to notify any affected party via U. S. Mail at their last known address. Any Party that appears in person on the above listed Arraignment dates shall be notified in writing of the new court date listed immediately above.
4. All "County Trials" set on March 19th, 2020 and April 23rd, 2020 are hereby rescheduled to May 21st, 2020. The District Court Clerk shall undertake to notify any affected party either via U. S. Mail at their last known address, or facsimile and/or email in the case of represented parties. Any Party that appears in person on the above listed Trial date shall be notified in writing of the new court date listed immediately above.
5. All "Night Court" Arraignments set for March 18th, 2020 are hereby rescheduled to May 20th, 2020. The District Court Clerk shall undertake to notify any affected party via U. S. Mail at their last known address. Any Party that appears in person on the above listed "Night Court" Arraignment dates shall be notified in writing of the new court date listed immediately above.

6. All "County Plea Discovery" set for April 2nd, 2020 are hereby rescheduled to May 7th, 2020. The District Court Clerk shall undertake to notify any affected party via U. S. Mail at their last known address. Any Party that appears in person on the above listed "County Plea Discovery" date shall be notified in writing of the new court date listed immediately above.
7. All "County Plea Discovery" set for April 3rd, 2020 are hereby rescheduled to May 8th, 2020. The District Court Clerk shall undertake to notify any affected party either via U. S. Mail at their last known address, or facsimile and/or email in the case of represented parties. Any Party that appears in person on the above listed "County Plea Discovery" date shall be notified in writing of the new court date listed immediately above.
8. All "Interpreter Plea Discovery/Trial" set for April 8th, 2020 are hereby rescheduled to May 13th, 2020. The District Court Clerk shall undertake to notify any affected party either via U. S. Mail at their last known address, or facsimile and/or email in the case of represented parties. Any Party that appears in person on the above listed "Interpreter Plea Discovery/Trial" date shall be notified in writing of the new court date listed immediately above.
9. All "Conflict" cases set for March 18th, 2020 are hereby rescheduled to May 20th, 2020. The District Court Clerk shall undertake to notify any affected party either via U. S. Mail at their last known address, or facsimile and/or email in the case of represented parties. Any Party that appears in person on the above listed "Conflict" date shall be notified in writing of the new court date listed immediately above.
10. All "City Plea Discovery" cases set for April 9th, 2020 at 8:30am are hereby rescheduled to May 14th, 2020 at 8:30am (Last name A-L) and June 11, 2020 at 8:30am (Last name M-Z). The District Court Clerk shall undertake to notify any affected party via U. S. Mail at their last known address. Any Party that appears in person on the above listed "City Plea Discovery" date shall be notified in writing of the new court date listed immediately above.
11. All "City Plea Discovery" cases set for April 9th at 2:30pm are hereby rescheduled to May 14th, 2020 at 2:30pm. The District Court Clerk shall undertake to notify any affected party via U. S. Mail at their last known address. Any Party that appears in person on the above listed "City Plea Discovery" date shall be notified in writing of the new court date listed immediately above.
12. All "City Plea Discovery" cases set for April 10th, 2020 are hereby rescheduled to May 15th, 2020. The District Court Clerk shall undertake to notify any affected party either via U. S. Mail at their last known address, or facsimile and/or email in the case of represented parties. Any Party that appears in

person on the above listed "City Plea Discovery" date shall be notified in writing of the new court date listed immediately above.

13. All "City Trials" cases set for April 1st, 2020 are hereby rescheduled to June 3rd, 2020. The District Court Clerk shall undertake to notify any affected party either via U. S. Mail at their last known address, or facsimile and/or email in the case of represented parties. Any Party that appears in person on the above listed "Trial" date shall be notified in writing of the new court date listed immediately above.
14. All "Civil" cases set for March 18, 2020 are hereby rescheduled to May 20th, 2020. The District Court Clerk shall undertake to notify any affected party either via U. S. Mail at their last known address, or facsimile and/or email in the case of represented parties. Any Party that appears in person on the above listed "Civil" Trial date shall be notified in writing of the new court date listed immediately above.
15. All "Small Claims" cases set for March 25, 2020 are hereby rescheduled to May 27th, 2020. All "Small Claims" cases set for April 22, 2020 are hereby rescheduled to June 24, 2020. The District Court Clerk shall undertake to notify any affected party via U. S. Mail at their last known address. Any Party that appears in person on the above listed "Small Claims" date shall be notified in writing of the new court date listed immediately above.
16. All of the "Speedy Trial" time lost due to the above continuances shall be excluded from the time the State/City shall have to prosecute the affected cases per A.R.C.P. 28.3(h).
17. The Criminal and Civil Clerk "windows" shall remain open in the Courthouse during the pendency of this Order to allow the Court to accept payments, create continuances, allow public service to be turned in, and to otherwise deal with the day to day administration of the Court's functions.

IT IS SO ORDERED.


3/16/20

Judge Chris M. Griffin
The District Court of Benton County AR
State District I – Division I – Rogers