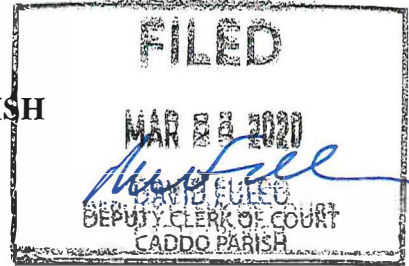


JUVENILE COURT FOR CADDO PARISH
STATE OF LOUISIANA



ORDER

Considering the continuing spread of Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) in Louisiana, Governor John Bel Edwards' declaration of public health emergencies in Proclamation Numbers 25 JBE 2020, 27 JBE 2020, 30 JBE 2020 and 33 JBE 2020, President Donald Trump's declaration of a national emergency on March 13, 2020, the Orders of the Louisiana Supreme Court dated March 16, March 20, and March 23, 2020, and in consideration of public health recommendations to reduce the risk of exposure to the virus and slowing the spread of the disease while balancing the need to protect the constitutional rights and public safety of the citizens of the state by maintaining access to Louisiana courts, **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:**

- 1) Unless otherwise ordered in a particular case, to the extent reasonably practical, parties, counsel, DCFS personnel, CASAs, witnesses, and others authorized by the Court, shall participate in hearings through remote telephonic, Zoom, or other videoconferencing means, and witnesses shall also, to the extent practical (consistent with their individual circumstances and health needs), be available "on call" to appear in person upon reasonable notice if and as directed by the Court;
- 2) The Clerk's office and courthouse hours shall be from 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on regular business days to receive emergency filings;
- 3) Parties shall utilize e-filings and filings by fax, followed up in due course with originals as directed by the Clerk.

THUS DONE AND SIGNED in Chambers in Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, on this the 23rd day of MARCH 2020.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "David N. Matlock", written over a horizontal line.

David N. Matlock, Chief Judge
Caddo Parish Juvenile Court
1835 Spring Street
Shreveport, LA

