



Waller County Justices of the Peace

Judge Charles Karisch
Justice of the Peace, Precinct 1

Judge J.R. Woolley
Justice of the Peace, Precinct 2

Judge Marian Elaine Jackson
Justice of the Peace, Precinct 3

Judge Ted Krenek
Justice of the Peace, Precinct 4

TEMPORARY STANDING ORDER REGARDING CORONAVIRUS DISEASE (COVID-19) MITIGATION AND ALL JUSTICES OF THE PEACE IN WALLER COUNTY (ORDER NO. 7)

Due to coronavirus disease (COVID-19), the four Justices of the Peace of Waller County issue the following order based on the Emergency Orders Regarding the COVID-19 State of Disaster from the Supreme Court of Texas and the Court of Criminal Appeals of Texas and the COVID-19 Operating Plan for the Waller County Judiciary. This order is issued to protect the community, limit exposure, and provide for an efficient judicial system:

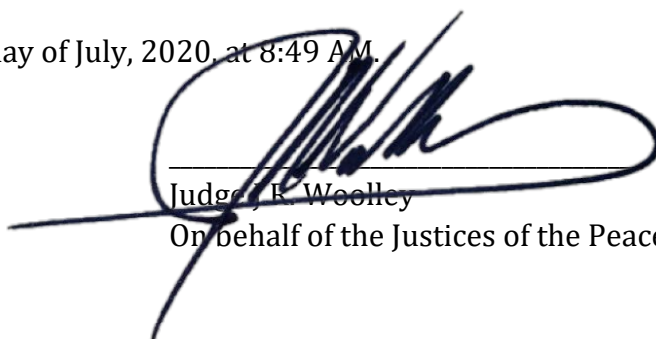
1. Subject only to constitutional limitations or by another section of this order, all in-person, non-essential scheduled court proceedings are hereby suspended until August 1, 2020. Each Justice Court will contact the litigants to notify them of the new reset date as soon as practical for the court.
2. No jury trials will be conducted until after August 31, 2020.
3. The statute of limitations or any deadline in any civil case, in which the statute of limitations or deadline occurred between March 13, 2020 and August 1, 2020, is hereby extended until September 15, 2020.
4. No writs on small claims or debt claims, will be issued by a Justice Court for 60 days after the date of this order, unless deemed appropriate by the presiding Judge.
5. All evictions filed from March 27, 2020, through July 25, 2020, require a sworn petition stating the premises are not subject to the moratorium on evictions imposed by Section 4024 of the C.A.R.E.S. Act.
6. For Traffic and Criminal Class C citations and summons, including parent contributing to non-attendance and truancy, with an appearance date prior to August 1, 2020, the appearance date will be extended and the court with jurisdiction will notify defendants of a new appearance date. No warrants due to failing to appear for Traffic or Criminal Class C citations, or summons, will be issued for 60 days from the date of this order.

7. In compliance with orders from the Supreme Court of Texas and the Court of Criminal Appeals of Texas and local Administrative Orders, any hearing by a court after a date set in this order will comply with the most restrictive of any local, state, or national directive regarding maximum group size, until July 1, 2020. In lieu of in-person hearings a court, at the presiding judge's discretion, may utilize videoconferencing software, in accordance with Supreme Court of Texas and the Court of Criminal Appeals of Texas rules.

8. All Justice Courts will comply with the COVID-19 Operating Plan for the Waller County Judiciary, issued by Judge A.M. McCaig, Jr. on May 18, 2020.

This order amends and replaces all previous "Temporary Standing Order Regarding Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19)" issued by the Justices of the Peace of Waller County.

Signed on this the 3rd day of July, 2020, at 8:49 AM.

A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R. Woolley', is written over a horizontal line. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the end.

Judge, R. Woolley

On behalf of the Justices of the Peace of Waller County