

IN THE LYNNWOOD MUNICIPAL COURT
STATE OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF SNOHOMISH

GENERAL ORDER ON)
COVID-19 EMERGENCY) NO. 2020-06
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THE COURT adopts all of the findings made previously in its several orders on the Covid-19 emergency this calendar year. In addition, the Court finds that the rate of infection in the county, the state and the city has increased rather than decreased since the Court's last order. The percentage of persons summoned to jury duty who have not responded at all has doubled since the onset of the pandemic and, among those responding, the rate of requests to be excused due to Covid-19 has roughly tripled. The Court continues to be unable to provide a facility in which the Governor's guidance on public assembly can be accomplished while conducting a jury trial.

NOW, THEREFOR, THE COURT continues in effect all of the previously imposed conditions regarding the protection of court staff and the public, the conduct of hearings by mail, by e-mail, and via Zoom, and physical access to the Clerk's Office and Probation Department. In addition, jury trials are suspended until 15 March 2021 and the Speedy Trial rule in criminal cases is further suspended, to recommence anew on the next appearance following 15 March 2021. Should there be a significant reduction in the danger/risk posed by Covid-19 prior to 15 March 2021, the Court may revisit and modify this order.

DONE this 21st day of December 2020.



STEPHEN E. MOORE
Judge