

**IN THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF
FLORIDA**

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF JUDGE

**ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2020-13
FIRST AMENDMENT**

IN RE: OPERATIONAL PLAN FOR TRANSITION TO PHASE 2

WHEREAS, Florida Supreme Court Administrative Order AOSC20-32, Amendment 3, revises standards for transition to various phases and procedures and data sources to support decisions under benchmark criteria 3; and

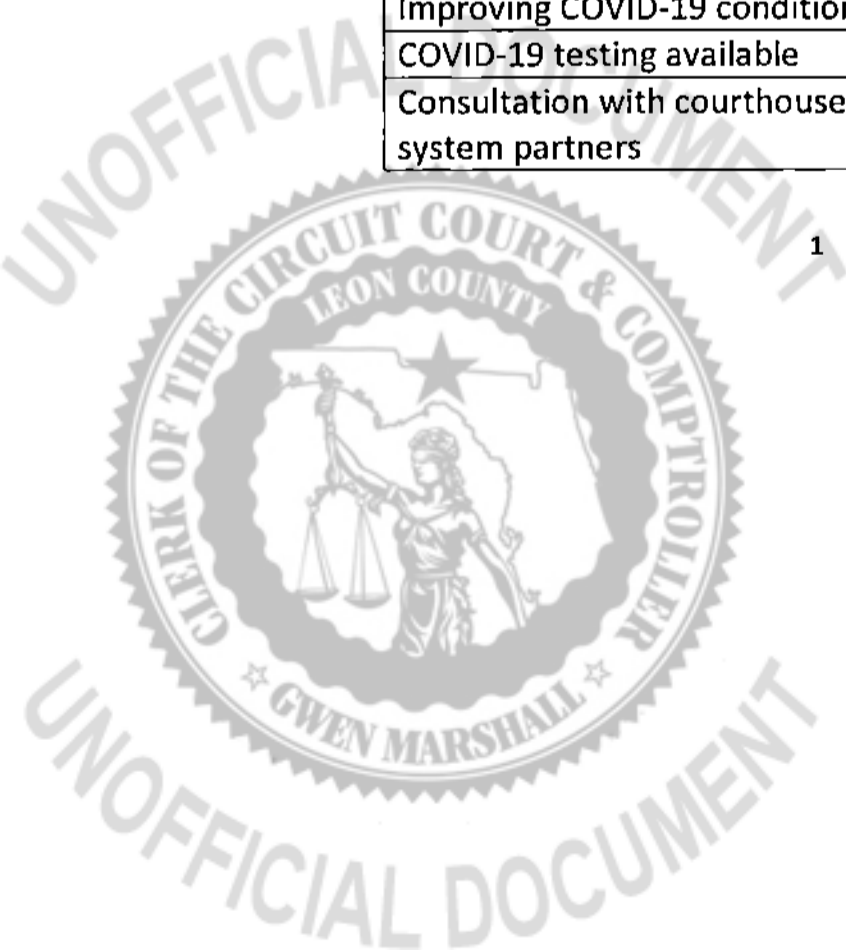
WHEREAS, while no in-person attendance at court proceedings are currently being conducted in the 2d Circuit, improving pandemic conditions may allow the controlled and measured initiation of limited in-person court attendance at proceedings in select counties; and

WHEREAS, Liberty County currently satisfies the benchmark criteria for transition to Phase 2, as per data prepared and maintained by the Office of the State Courts Administrator; and

By the authority of Rule 2.215, Florida Rules of Judicial Administration, AOSC20-23, Amendment 6, and AOSC20-32, Amendment 3, it is therefore **ORDERED** that the operational plan of the 2d Circuit is amended.

Paragraph 2.b. is amended, in part, as follows:

Benchmark	Liberty
No confirmed or suspected cases of COVID-19 in a court facility [unless mitigation measures have been taken]	Yes
No county restricted movement or stay-at-home orders	Yes
Improving COVID-19 conditions for a 14-day period	Yes
COVID-19 testing available	Yes
Consultation with courthouse occupants and justice system partners	Yes



Paragraph 5 is amended as follows:

Timeline for Transition to Phase 2. Franklin, Jefferson, Leon, Liberty, and Wakulla Counties currently satisfy benchmark criteria for Phase 2 or operations have been modified to maintain Phase 2 status.

Paragraph 5.c., to include subparagraphs (1) through (5), is amended as follows:

Limited in-person attendance at court proceedings in Leon County may be approved by the Chief Judge after consultation with the assigned judge, Office of Court Administration for required resources and support staff, and other Constitutional Officers or their delegates as appropriate to ensure that the benchmark criteria and mandatory requirements are met.

Paragraph 5.e. is amended as follows:

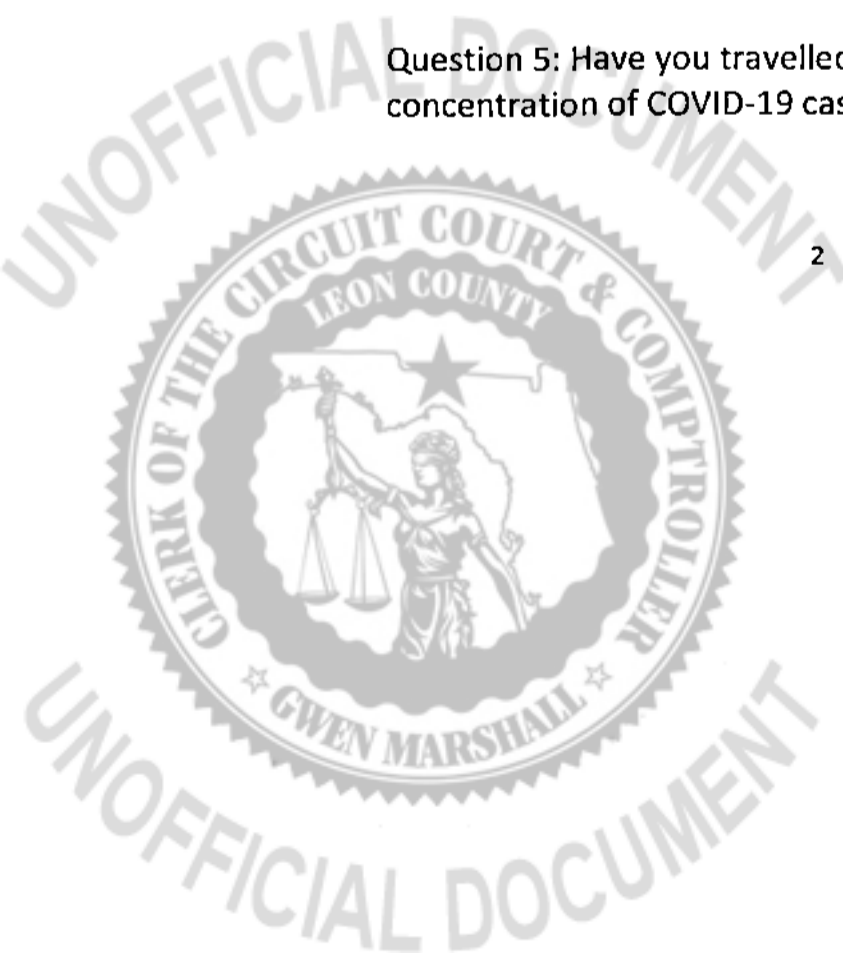
A Leon County Grand Jury will be selected August 31, 2020, in coordination with the 2d Circuit State Attorney and subject to the local situation, benchmark criteria, and Florida Supreme Court orders and directives.

Paragraph 5.f. is amended as follows:

Limited in-person attendance at court proceedings in Liberty County may be approved by the Chief Judge after consultation with the assigned judge, Office of Court Administration for required resources and support staff, and other Constitutional Officers or their delegates as appropriate to ensure that the benchmark criteria and mandatory requirements are met.

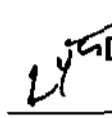
Paragraph 6.d.(5) is rescinded:

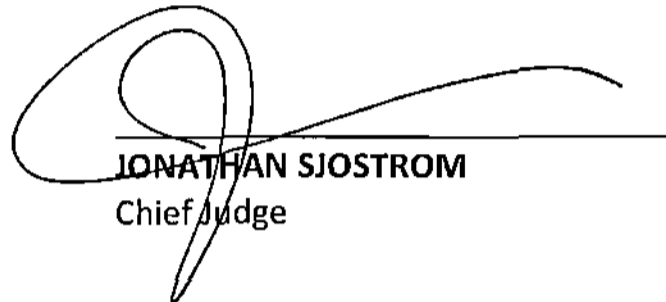
Question 5: Have you travelled to an area with a notably high concentration of COVID-19 cases?



Paragraph 8.e., to include subparagraphs (1) through (6), is amended as follows:

Courthouses opened for in-person attendance at court proceedings have been modified for Phase 2 to ensure social distancing.

 **DONE and ORDERED** in chambers in Tallahassee, Leon County, Florida, this day of August, 2020.


JONATHAN SJOSTROM
Chief Judge

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