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STANDING ORDER REGARDING CORONAVIRUS DISEASE (COVID-19)
MARCH 23, 2020
ORDER NO. 1

Due to the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) and my priority to protect the community and court staff and to limit community exposure, while providing for an efficient judicial system, the Justice Court, Precinct 4 in San Jacinto County, Texas, issues the following order based upon the directives issued by the Office of the Governor, the Texas Supreme Court, the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals and the Office of Court Administration:

1. Effective March 23, 2020, all scheduled criminal proceedings, including motion hearings and trials, are suspended until May 4, 2020.
2. Effective March 23, 2020, all non-essential civil proceedings, including motion hearings and trials, are suspended until April 20, 2020.
3. Essential court proceedings are defined as: eviction cases involving imminent physical harm, writs of re-entry, writs of retrieval, writs of restoration, repair and remedy cases, issuing birth certificates, death certificates or burial transit permits and criminal magistrations.
4. The Court will continue to issue judgments, orders and rulings by submission if already authorized by law to do so for non-eviction cases.
5. All Class C appearance dates and current payment dates, which includes traffic citations, have been extended to May 4, 2020. This extension shall apply to cite-and-release charges and summonses for charges other than Class C misdemeanors that have been assigned to Precinct 4.
6. Effective March 23, 2020, the Court will be closed to the public. Telephone calls will be answered during normal business hours. However, if the decision is made for court staff to work from home, those needing to file for an essential court proceeding may call (936) 227-0147.
7. This Order will stay in effect until further notice and may be amended as new declarations or directives are issued.

Date: March 23, 2020


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