

IN THE MAHONING COUNTY COURT OF COMMON PLEAS  
PROBATE DIVISION

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IN THE MATTER OF  
COURT OPERATIONAL  
MATTERS IN RESPONSE  
TO COVID-19

) Case No: 2020 MC 0041  
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) JUDGE ROBERT N. RUSU, JR.  
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) JOURNAL ENTRY  
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JUDGE ROBERT N. RUSU, JR.  
MAHONING COUNTY PROBATE COURT  
YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO

In response to the ever increasing number of Covid 19 infections and in order to keep the public as well as the staff at the Court safe, the undersigned does hereby find it necessary to re-implement the following operating procedures.

Therefore, it is hereby Ordered that effective Monday, January 3, 2022, the following procedures will be reinstated:

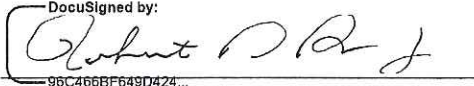
1. All individuals age 5 and above, coming into the probate Court including staff, lawyers, and general public will be required to wear a face covering;
2. No more than two (2) individuals shall be allowed into the Probate Court filing counter at any one time. Other must remain in the Court hallway until an open window is available at the filing counter;
3. Proper social distancing protocols shall be observed by all individuals coming to the Probate Court;
4. The Court will continue to accept and encourage pleadings to be filed via email to [mcprobate@mahoningcountyoh.gov](mailto:mcprobate@mahoningcountyoh.gov); by facsimile to (330) 740-2325; and by regular United States mail to *Mahoning County Probate Court*, 120 Market Street, First Floor, Youngstown, Ohio 44503;
5. The Court will continue to hold hearings via telephone and video conferencing as well as certain in-person hearings when necessary. The Court encourages all lawyers to file a Motion to conduct hearings via telephone or video conference. The Court will be issuing orders on its own but your Motions will assist the Court in efficiently handling these situations.

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The above policies and procedures shall remain in effect until the undersigned determines that the Covid-19 health emergency has passed and further order of the Court.

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

Dated: January 3, 2022

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**Hon. Robert N. Rusu, Jr., Judge**

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