

## MEMORANDUM

Victoria L. Griffin, Circuit  
Judge St. Lucie County  
Courthouse 218 South  
Second Street  
Fort Pierce, FL 34950



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DATE: August 31, 2020  
SUBJECT: ST. LUCIE COUNTY FAMILY HEARINGS (L-Z)  
RE: COVID-19 PANDEMIC

**UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE, ALL COURT  
PROCEEDINGS SHALL BE CONDUCTED  
REMOTELY IN COMPLIANCE WITH CURRENT  
FLORIDA SUPREME COURT AND CIRCUIT 19  
ADMINISTRATIVE ORDERS**

(including, but not limited to, FSC AOSC20-23 Amendment 6; and  
Circuit 19 AO20-01, 20-02, 20-07, and 20-09)

At your designated hearing time, you will appear through  
Zoom teleconferencing (without charge) via video by  
clicking <https://zoom.us/j/5230674356> or via telephone by  
calling 1-646-558-8656; Meeting ID: 523-067-4356.  
**YOU MUST APPEAR VIA VIDEO (NOT JUST CALLING IN  
VIA PHONE) TO PROVIDE TESTIMONY.**

**Pro Se Litigants** (*when neither party is represented by counsel*): Please use  
[FormA-SL@circuit19.org](mailto:FormA-SL@circuit19.org) to inquire about scheduling or rescheduling hearings, and/or  
other questions or issues.

**Attorneys:** UMC and routine motions (requiring 60 minutes or less hearing time) may be  
set as usual on the online attorney calendar and the following language should be  
included in the Notice of Hearing:

## ***Notice of Remote Hearing Language***

Pursuant to current Florida Supreme Court and Circuit 19 Administrative Orders regarding COVID-19 procedures, non-essential court proceedings shall be conducted remotely through Zoom.

**At the designated hearing time, you will appear through Zoom teleconferencing (free of charge) via video by clicking <https://zoom.us/j/5230674356> or via telephone by calling 1-646-558-8656; Meeting ID: 523-067-4356. **YOU MUST APPEAR VIA VIDEO (NOT JUST CALLING IN VIA PHONE) TO PROVIDE TESTIMONY.****

Please provide a copy of the hearing packet to the court immediately upon filing, but no later than **FIVE (5) business days** prior to the scheduled hearing.

**ALL EVIDENCE/EXHIBITS MUST BE SCANNED, CLEARLY MARKED, AND EMAILED TO [SLCJudge8@Circuit19.org](mailto:SLCJudge8@Circuit19.org) and ALL PARTIES, at least **FOUR (4) business days** in advance of your hearing.**

**If you have a dissolution of marriage final hearing, you must scan and e-file with the Clerk of Court, and email to [SLCJudge8@circuit19.org](mailto:SLCJudge8@circuit19.org), a copy of your Florida driver license, Florida ID card, voter registration, or Affidavit of Corroborating Witness. To change your name to a former name, you will need to appear remotely or provide an Affidavit of Name Change.**

## ***In-Person Appearance***

If you are a person seeking to enter the courthouse, please be aware of the following requirements.

Upon entry to the courthouse your temperature will be taken in a non-intrusive manner. Persons with temperatures over 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit will be denied entry into the courthouse. All persons entering the courthouse will be further screened by questionnaire:

1. Have you recently had close contact with a person with COVID-19?
2. Have you been diagnosed with COVID-19, are you waiting for test results, or do you have a cough, fever, or shortness of breath, or other symptoms of COVID-19?
3. Have you recently travelled from somewhere outside the United States or on a cruise ship?

You will be required to wear a face covering. Please bring your own face covering if you have one. If you do not possess one, a disposable mask will be provided to you. All individuals shall observe social distancing within courthouses by maintaining the recommended six-foot distance from other individuals. Frequently sanitize your hands while you are in the courthouse.