

MARTIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

COURTHOUSE ACCESS POLICY

The Martin County Board of Commissioners exercising inherent authority to ensure continuity of operations of the Martin County Courthouse due to the COVID-19 (corona virus) concerns and in the interest of public health and safety and the health and safety of Courthouse Office holders and staff, the following policy will be immediately effective regarding the entry of citizens into the Martin County Courthouse.

NOTICE

Until further Ordered, access to the building is restricted to attorneys, parties, law enforcement officers and those with actual business with one of the offices in the Courthouse. Witnesses, family and friends shall remain outside of the building (in their vehicles and/or at home) until called to testify as needed and then leave the building when finished.

Persons are encouraged to e-mail letters, motions or requests to Courthouse offices, e-file pleadings and/or telephone a particular office to determine what procedure that office is utilizing to get their request to that office.

The Courthouse Security staff are authorized to assist in determining those that shall be permitted into the building and those that should be requested to leave and wait elsewhere. Courthouse Security Officers are also authorized to exclude persons showing any signs of illness including, coughing, sneezing, sweating, shortness of breath or other signs.

Any person entering the Courthouse who (1) is experiencing the flu or flu like symptoms and/or (2) who has had exposure to anyone who has or may have the COVID-19 virus is to immediately report the same to Court Security.

Dated: March 19, 2020



PAUL R. GEORGE, President
Martin County Board of Commissioners