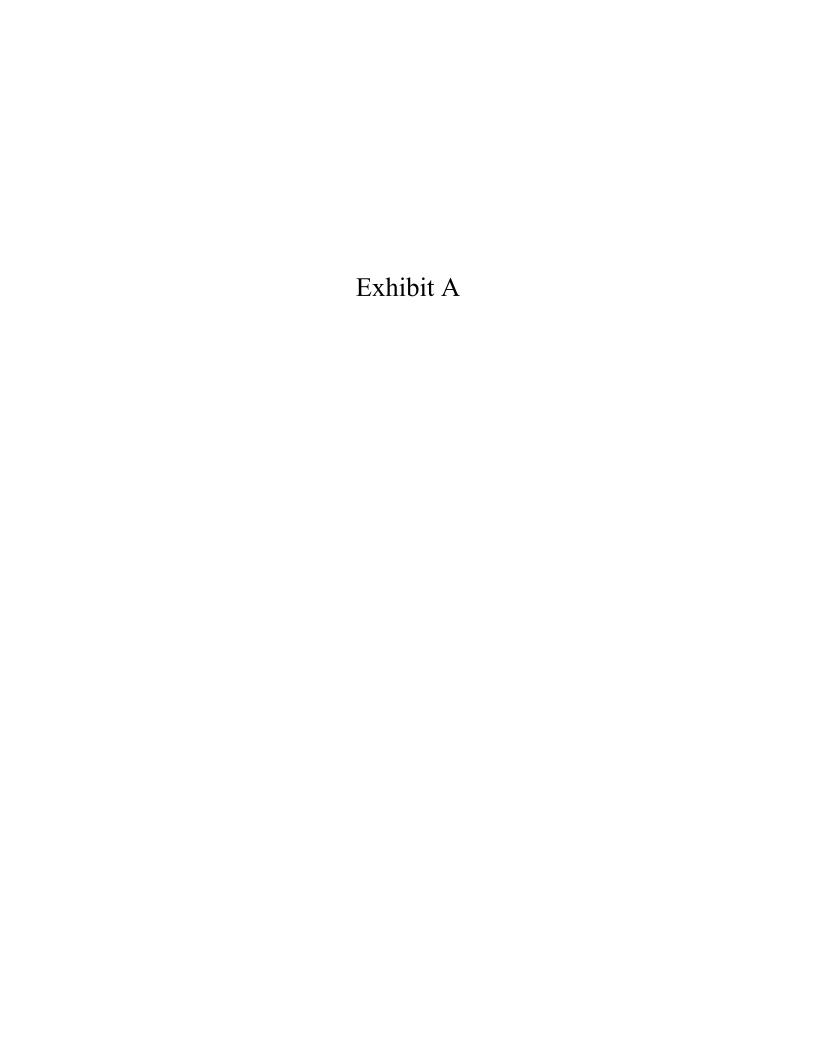
ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER OF THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE OF THE COURTS

Pursuant to the authority vested in me, in light of the emergency circumstances caused by the continuing COVID-19 outbreak in New York State and the nation, and consistent with the Governor of New York's recent executive order suspending statutes of limitation in legal matters, I direct that, effective immediately and until further order, no papers shall be accepted for filing by a county clerk or a court in any matter of a type not included on the list of essential matters attached as Exh. A. This directive applies to both paper and electronic filings.

Chief Administrative Jurige of the Courts

Dated: March 22, 2020

AO/78/20



Essential Proceedings Administrative Order AO/78/20 March 22, 2020

A. Criminal matters

- 1. arraignments
- 2. bail applications, reviews and writs
- 3. temporary orders of protection
- 4. resentencing of retained and incarcerated defendants
- 5. essential sex offender registration act (SORA) matters

B. Family Court

- 1. child protection intake cases involving removal applications
- 2. newly filed juvenile delinquency intake cases involving remand placement applications, or modification thereof
- 3. emergency family offense petitions/temporary orders of protection
- 4. orders to show cause
- 5. stipulations on submission

C. Supreme Court

- 1. Mental Hygiene Law (MHL) applications and hearings addressing patient retention or release
- 2. MHL hearings addressing the involuntary administration of medication and other medical care
- 3. newly filed MHL applications for an assisted outpatient treatment (AOT) plan
- 4. emergency applications in guardianship matters
- 5. temporary orders of protection (including but not limited to matters involving domestic violence)
- 6. emergency applications related to the coronavirus
- 7. emergency Election Law applications
- 8. extreme risk protection orders (ERPO)

D. Civil/Housing matters

- 1. applications addressing landlord lockouts (including reductions in essential services)
- 2. applications addressing serious code violations
- 3. applications addressing serious repair orders
- 4. applications for post-eviction relief

E. All Courts

1. any other matter that the court deems essential

This list of essential proceedings is subject to ongoing review and amendment as necessary.