

## **Harris County District Courts – Civil Division**

### **Alternate Schedule**

Pursuant to Section 2 of the Harris County District Courts Inclement Weather, Emergency, and Public Health Scheduling Procedures, the Civil Division adopts this alternative schedule.

- Submission Dockets will proceed as scheduled.
- Telephonic and Video Hearings will proceed as scheduled.
- All previously set, non-essential in-person, oral (non-telephonic) hearings and dockets are cancelled. Please contact the Court to reschedule your oral hearing for a later date or alternative method, unless the Court has already contacted you. Courts will *consider* conducting an oral (non-telephonic) hearing if: (1) all parties agree that such a hearing is necessary; (2) the parties file an agreed motion requesting an oral hearing; and (3) the motion sets forth a compelling reason supporting the request and explaining why no other means is adequate to resolve the issue for which the parties seek an oral hearing.
- All Essential Court Matters (temporary restraining orders, temporary injunctions, Chapter 33 and Chapter 81) will proceed as scheduled. Contact the specific Court regarding the details of when and where the hearing will proceed. If a party believes their hearing needs to be classified as an Essential Matter, please contact the specific Court.
- All tax court proceedings are cancelled.

As always, if during this public health emergency you are unable to attend any hearing or conference or need other accommodation from the Court, please contact the Court.

This Alternate Schedule shall be in place until May 8, 2020 or until the Board of District Judges – Civil Division amends or suspends this schedule.

If any Court wishes to opt-out of this Alternate Schedule, the Court Administrator shall post those specific Courts' procedures to Justex.net.