

351st District Court's Emergency Order

March 8, 2021

In light of the Governor's Emergency Order GA-34 and the Supreme Court's Thirty-Sixth Emergency Order, the 351st District Court adopts the following policies:

FOR ANY IN-PERSON APPEARANCE, FACE MASKS ARE REQUIRED, SOCIAL DISTANCING IS REQUIRED, AND PRIOR PERMISSION IS REQUIRED AS LAID OUT IN THIS ORDER.

ANYONE WHO HAS TESTED POSITIVE FOR COVID-19 OR HAS HAD CLOSE CONTACT WITH SOMEONE WHO HAS TESTED POSITIVE IN THE PAST 14 DAYS, OR IS EXHIBITING SIGNS OR SYMPTOMS OF COVID-19 (Cough, shortness of breath, fever, fatigue, body aches, or stomach illness) SHALL NOT APPEAR IN PERSON.

DEFENDANTS:

Defendants **SHALL NOT physically** appear in Court UNLESS:

- (1) They lack of access to technology;
- (2) They lack of ability to use the technology because of a physical or mental disability;
- (3) A constitutional claim that requires in-person appearances exists;
- (4) A defendant's personal identification is needed, including a fingerprint;
- (5) incarceration is a possible result of the proceedings;
- (6) their appearance is for an essential hearing as defined previously by the OCA; and/or
- (7) they are instructed to appear physically by the court.

Defendants on bond **DO NOT** need to appear remotely over Zoom UNLESS:

- instructed to make an appearance by the court;
- not represented by counsel;
- set for their initial appearance (first appearance in court); OR
- defendant has pending bond conditions or violations.

ATTORNEYS

Attorneys SHALL appear remotely via Zoom. **If you cannot participate remotely for a reason listed above, contact the court at (832) 927-3680 or by email at claudia_mancillas@justex.net** and the Court will determine if you or other parties can appear in person. Please refer to the 351st justex website for the State's and other Court's personnel contact information. <https://www.justex.net/Courts/Criminal/CriminalCourt.aspx?crt=48>

351st District Court Zoom Information:

Access to Defense Attorneys, Defendants and other parties / witnesses required to appear thru Zoom

Zoom Dial-In Number: 346-248-7799 (Houston)
Meeting ID: 227 363 0192
Zoom Link: <https://justex.zoom.us/my/Court351>

Access to Public Live Stream: <https://video.ibm.com/channel/kDGadHRre3J>

Signed this day Tuesday, March 9th, 2021

____s/Natalia Cornelio____
Hon. Nata Cornelio, 351st District Court