## DUE TO THE CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) CRISIS NUECES COUNTY AMENDED RESOLUTION REGARDING THE CANCELLATION OF JURY TRIALS AND NON-ESSENTIAL HEARINGS IN THE DISTRICT COURTS AND COUNTY COURTS AT LAW OF NUECES COUNTY, TEXAS

Due to the coronavirus (COVID-19) crisis and to ensure the safety of the public, court staff(s), and litigants, the District Court Judges and County Court at Law Judges of Nueces County, during a specially called meeting on March 17, 2020 and amended during a specially called meeting on March 30, 2020, adopted the following resolution regarding pending jury trials and non-essential court hearings effective March 30, 2020 through May 25, 2020.

Therefore, IT IS ORDERED that **all civil and family jury trials** scheduled for the weeks March 23, 2020 through May 25, 2020 are cancelled:

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that **all criminal jury trials** scheduled for the weeks March 23, 2020 through May 25, 2020 are hereby cancelled.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that only essential civil, family and criminal cases will be heard by the District Courts and County Courts at Law effective March 23, 2020 through May 25, 2020. Essential family law cases include only the following: where a child is in eminent danger, all protective orders filed under Chapter 71 of the Family Code, where a hearing is necessary because a child's present circumstances would significantly impair the child's physical health or emotional development, and where there are immediate and present incidents of domestic violence. Essential civil matters are those in which an application for temporary restraining order and subsequent request for temporary injunction has been filed or wherein a mental health warrant has been requested. Essential criminal matters include: applications for writs of habeas corpus, Motions to revoke probation where the defendant is in custody, examining trials, and risk assessments. Essential matters will be heard by the Judge of the Court in which the case is filed.

These Orders are effective March 30, 2020 and will apply to the District Courts and County Courts at Law of Nueces County, except as amended or supplemented by the Presiding Judge of County Court at Law No. 5.

Hon. Nanette Hasette

Local Administrative Judge