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Subject:

<EXTERNAL> Notice acknowledging plan for Bell County

EXTERNAL email: Exercise caution when opening.

Date: May 27, 2020

Dear Judge Adams,

I have completed a review of your Operating Plan, I acknowledge its receipt and will forward it to the Office of Court Administration with a recommendation that it be posted to the OCA site, coronavirus@txcourts.gov.

After June 1, 2020, you may begin to hold in-person hearings in compliance with <u>Orders</u> of the Supreme Court and Court of Criminal Appeals of Texas, and the <u>Guidances</u> of the Office of Court Administration as they now exist and <u>as</u> they may hereafter be amended, modified, updated and/or clarified.

Especially important is the instruction of the entities listed in the foregoing paragraph: <u>ALL PROCEEDINGS SHOULD</u> CONTINUE TO BE HELD REMOTELY UNLESS IT IS IMPRACTICAL OR IMPOSSIBLE.

Our watchword and guiding principal must be the protection of the health of the public, the litigants, the court staff and support personnel (clerks and bailiffs) and judge.

If I may be of assistance as we move forward together, please feel free to contact me with questions or suggestions.

You are to be commended for your service to our great state. Its citizens demand the highest standards be upheld by those of us in the judicial branch of government. We must not and will not fail them.

Billy Ray Stubblefield Presiding Judge, Third Administrative Judicial Region State of Texas