IN THE CIRCUIT AND CHANCERY COURTS OF THE SEVENTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE

IN RE: CONVID-19 PANDEMIC) No. ADM2020-00428

ORDER TEMPORARILY ALLOWING EMAIL FILINGS

In furtherance of Tennessee Supreme Court Order dated March 13, 2020 (2020-00428), the undersigned judges of the Seventeenth Judicial District, do hereby wish to temporarily allow an alternate method of filing pleadings to assist with the State's efforts to minimize "in-person" contact. As such,

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED by the Court that filings via email transmission may be temporarily submitted and accepted by the CIRCUIT AND CHANCERY COURTS until such times as these courts resume their normal operations. The filer shall contact the appropriate Clerk/Deputy Clerk to determine the appropriate email address to utilize for such filing. The Clerk/Deputy Clerk is ordered to print and file the transmission email confirmation with the date and time of receipt in order to provide a record of receipt. Further, the Clerk shall print, stamp, and file the attached pleading and place same in the file in the normal course as is customary with paper filings. The filing party is still responsible for sending a copy of said pleading to the appropriate parties in accordance with the appropriate Tennessee Rules of Civil Procedure. The "Temporary Uniform Email Filing Cover Sheet", a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "1", shall be utilized as "page 1" in transmitting the emailed pleading.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the party who submits their filing via email transmission will be responsible for the ordinary court costs associated with said filing. The fee associated with filing via email transmission shall be consistent with those fees charged for filing via facsimile (See T.R.C.P. 5A.04). For the avoidance of doubt, typical in-person paper filings and fax filings will continue to be allowed; however, the Courts are <u>temporarily</u> providing an alternative method of filing pleadings in order to reduce "in-person" contact.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

ENTER this <u>K</u> day of March, 2020.

M. WYATT BURK Presiding Judge, 17th Judicial District

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