

COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF MONROE COUNTY
FORTY-THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT
COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN RE: JUNE 18, 2021 COURT CLOSURE : No. 95 AD 2021
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ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

AND NOW, this 27th day of May, 2021, We Order and Declare as follows:

By Order dated May 20, 2021 the Pennsylvania Supreme Court has designated June 18, 2021 as a special holiday and Ordered all Courts of the Unified Judicial System closed other than for essential functions or other proceedings deemed necessary by the President Judge; and

On June 19, 2019 the Governor of Pennsylvania signed legislation designating Juneteenth as an annual day of observance in the Commonwealth, recognizing the day as one of great historical and cultural significance, the commemoration of which serves as occasion to promote the advancement of unity, equality and justice for all Pennsylvanians. This year the Governor has designated June 18, 2021 as a special holiday for all employees under the Governor's jurisdiction; therefore,

In accordance with the order of the Pennsylvania Supreme Court and in observance of the day of commemoration recognized by our Governor and Legislature, all Courts of the 43rd Judicial District, Monroe County, Pennsylvania shall be CLOSED on June 18, 2021, except for the EMERGENCY matters listed on Attachment A. All emergency matters shall be filed in person or electronically and shall be heard by Advanced Communication Technology in accordance with this Court's procedures and protocols established by prior orders of this Court during the COVID19 Judicial Emergency. The orders and protocols are available on the Court's website at www.monroepacourts.us. The District Court Administrator shall arrange adequate remote coverage for those matters delineated in attachment A. All proceedings scheduled for June 18, 2021, not designated in this order as emergencies, including jury selection, are **continued** to a date and time to be determined by Court Administration or each assigned Judge.

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BY THE COURT:



MARGHERITA PATTI-WORTHINGTON, P.J.
PRESIDENT JUDGE, 43rd JUDICIAL DISTRICT
MONROE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

cc: Honorable Arthur L. Zulick
Honorable Jonathan Mark
Honorable Jennifer Harlacher Sibum
Honorable Stephen M. Higgins
Honorable David J. Williamson
Honorable C. Daniel Higgins
All Magisterial District Judges
Geoff Moulton, Court Administrator of Pennsylvania
John J. Goldner, District Court Administrator
Kathy Sauter, Magisterial District Court Administrator
Deborah Rivera, Deputy District Court Administrator
Jessica Jones, Deputy Court Administrator
Ken Morris, Sheriff
Garry Haidle, Warden, Monroe County Correctional Facility
George Warden, Prothonotary/Clerk of Courts
Josephine Ferro, Register and Recorder
E. David Christine, Esq., District Attorney
James Gregor, Esq., Chief Public Defender
Bernie Sikora, Director of Probation
Elizabeth Weekes, Esq., Children & Youth Attorney
Monroe County Control Center
All Municipal Police Agencies within Monroe County
Pennsylvania State Police – Lehigh, Stroudsburg & Fern Ridge Barracks
East Stroudsburg University Police Department
Women’s Resources of Monroe County
Denise Burdge, Executive Director MCBA
Hillary Madden, Esq., President MCBA
Patricia Clancy, Information Services
Monroe County Board of Commissioners

ATTACHMENT A

EMERGENCY MATTERS

From the close of business, Thursday June 17, 2021 until the close of business Friday June 18, 2021, EMERGENCY MATTERS, listed below, will be accepted for filing in person or electronically and will be reviewed and scheduled for hearing by the assigned Judge.

1. Protection from Abuse/Protection of Victims of Sexual Violence or Intimidation Act – On-Call MDJ
2. Emergency petitions for Guardianship, Mental Health Procedures Act and Abortion Control Act
3. Emergency Child Custody petitions
4. Juvenile Dependency Shelter Care petitions
5. Juvenile Delinquency Detention hearings
6. Civil injunctions for which immediate irreparable harm is alleged
7. Bench Warrant hearings
8. Search Warrants and arrest warrants