



ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 25-20
10th JUDICIAL DISTRICT SUFFOLK COUNTY

Pursuant to the authority vested in me, in accordance with the recent operational protocols issued by the Chief Administrative Judge for the trial courts of the Unified Court System and after consultation with the Chief Administrative Judge and the Deputy Chief Administrative Judge and

WHEREAS, New York State and the nation are now in the midst of an unprecedented public health crisis surrounding the outbreak of COVID-19 (coronavirus); and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 is known to be a highly infectious disease, and there is a legitimate medical concern that large gatherings of people can result in greater public exposure to possible contagion or "community spread"; and

WHEREAS, the exigent circumstances presented by this medical crisis have necessitated video and virtual appearances in court as a public health necessity, it is hereby

ORDERED that the courts in the 10th Judicial District Suffolk County, effective immediately, are hereby authorized to conduct virtual and video court appearances pursuant to approved protocols. Such protocols are subject to amendment to address the evolving needs of all parties and the court.

Dated: March 30, 2020
Central Islip, New York

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "C. Randall Hinrichs", is written over a horizontal line.

Hon. C. Randall Hinrichs, J.S.C.
Administrative Judge
10th Judicial District Suffolk County

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