

#### The Circuit Court

for the Tenth Judicial Circuit of Michigan

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TO: MEMBERS OF THE SAGINAW COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION

In light of our waning COVID numbers and the elimination of most, if not all related mitigation measures, the time has come to look at resuming jury trials in the courthouse. We will begin scheduling both district and circuit court jury trials to take place in the courthouse during the months of May, June, July, and August.

District court cases will begin **Monday**, **May 2nd**, and circuit court cases will begin **Tuesday**, **July 5th**. Each judge is free to decide whether they will hold civil or criminal trials. All judges, Prosecutor and Defender offices have signed off on the plans. And the plans are structured in a way that solo practitioners should also be able to proceed accordingly. Without going into all the mechanics of each plan, the schedule for each judge is as follows:

### May/June Jury Trials - District Court

May 2-6 (D5 – Jurrens)
May 9-13 (D3 – Hoffman)
May 16-20 (D6 – Clark)
May 23-27 (D4 – Frank)
May 31-June 3 (D1 – Fichtner)
June 6-30 (as needed)

## July/August Jury Trials-- Circuit Court

July 5-15 (C5- Jackson) July 18-29 (C1- Borrello) August 1-12 (C3-Boes) August 15-26 (C2 Trice)

Should attorneys of record have any further questions after receiving notice of trial, please contact the individual courtroom on when to appear and how to proceed. I am optimistic that these plans are feasible and will provide us with some sense of normalcy as we keep things moving forward. Thanx.

# Darnell Jackson

Judge Darnell Jackson Chief Judge, Saginaw County Trial Courts March 17, 2022