

**VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE CITY OF NORFOLK**

**In re: JURY TRIALS IN THE FOLLOWING UNASSIGNED CASES:**

CL19-4745	CL19-12447	CL19-12510	CL20-4169
CL19-8783	CL16-10170	CL19-13184	CL19-9059
CL19-10929	CL19-7852	CL20-526	CL19-2875
CL19-167	CL19-9798	CL19-9801	CL20-484

**CONTINUANCE ORDER**

As recited in detail in the Governor's Executive Order effective Monday, December 14, 2020, our region and the Commonwealth at large are experiencing alarming increases in COVID-19 case counts, positivity rates, and hospitalizations. The expected post-Thanksgiving surge in cases has been realized, and experts predict that this December holiday season will lead to even more coronavirus spread than Thanksgiving.

Virginia courts remain subject to the Period of Judicial Emergency, which commenced on March 16, 2020 and has been extended through January 3, 2021, by the Fourteenth Order of Judicial Emergency entered by Chief Justice Lemons on December 3, 2021.

This Court has been approved for resumption of jury trials and has safely concluded many civil and criminal jury trials since receiving authorization in August of 2020; however, the deteriorating pandemic conditions warrant a brief suspension to coincide with the period of the Governor's Executive Order.

Therefore, all jury trials scheduled for the month of January 2021 are hereby CONTINUED. Counsel are directed to contact the Clerk's Office for a new date.

The Clerk is DIRECTED to send a copy of this Order to all counsel of record in the above cases.

Enter: 12/14/2020

Mary Jane Hall  
Mary Jane Hall, Chief Judge