

NOTICE TO THE BAR

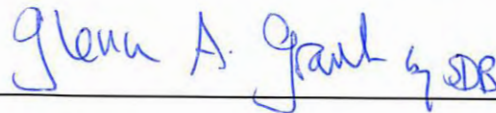
COVID-19 – RECORDS OF REMOTE COURT PROCEEDINGS – AUDIO RECORDS AVAILABLE AS ELECTRONIC FILES OR ON CD

[Directive #12-20](#) ("Principles and Protocols for Virtual Court Operations During the COVID-19 Coronavirus Pandemic – (1) Methods of Conducting Remote Court Events; (2) Access to the Public Record; and (3) Posting of Events Guidance") implements the Supreme Court's [April 20, 2020 Order](#) on remote proceedings, including by establishing a temporary process for requesting records of remote court proceedings. Effective immediately, we are ending the interim availability of video recordings. Individuals still may request and obtain official audio recordings of remote court events, which is available as an electronic file or burned on a CD.

Requests to observe court events that are not livestreamed also may be submitted to the judge handling the event, either by email or by phone. Requests will be granted on the condition that the court event must not be recorded or broadcast absent specific written permission from the Assignment Judge or designee, consistent with the [Supreme Court Guidelines on Media Access and Electronic Devices in the Courts \(Directive #11-20\)](#).

The attached June 12, 2020 **Addendum to Directive #12-20** ("Updated Process and Form for Requesting Audio Records of Remote Court Events During COVID-19") memorializes this change in the process for obtaining records of court events conducted in remote format. The Addendum promulgates a new Request for Audio Records of Remote Court Proceedings During COVID-19 form that replaces the version promulgated on April 28, 2020.

Questions on this notice (which supersedes the [April 28, 2020 notice](#) on this topic) should be directed to the Office of the Administrative Director of the Courts.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Glenn A. Grant" followed by a stylized "JAD" or similar initials.

Hon. Glenn A. Grant, J.A.D.
Acting Administrative Director of the Courts

Dated: June 12, 2020