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**SUPERIOR COURT OF WASHINGTON  
FOR SPOKANE COUNTY**

IN THE MATTER OF THE RESPONSE BY  
SPOKANE COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT TO THE  
PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY IN WASHINGTON  
STATE

No. 94-2-06940-8  
EMERGENCY ORDER #6

WHEREAS, the Governor of the State of Washington has declared a state of emergency in all counties of Washington due to the public health emergency caused by the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19); and

WHEREAS, The Commissioners of Spokane County, the Mayor of the City of Spokane and the Spokane Regional Health District have also declared a state of emergency in Spokane County due to the same public health concerns; and

WHEREAS, the Washington State Supreme Court has adopted Order No. 25700-B-602 granting emergency authority to this Court to adopt, modify, and suspend court rules and orders and to take further actions concerning court operations, as warranted to address the current state of emergency; and

WHEREAS, on March 18, 2020 the Washington State Supreme Court adopted Order No. 25700-B-606 suspending all civil jury trials and all civil matters until after April 24, 2020, among other orders; and

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2 WHEREAS, on March 23, 2020, the Governor of the State of Washington has added  
3 additional restrictions on the citizens of the State of Washington due to the declared a state of  
4 emergency concerning the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) with his Proclamation 20-  
5 25, Stay Home – Stay Healthy; and

6 WHEREAS, this Court issued its Emergency Order #1 through #5 to respond to the state  
7 of emergency and mitigate the effect of COVID-19; and

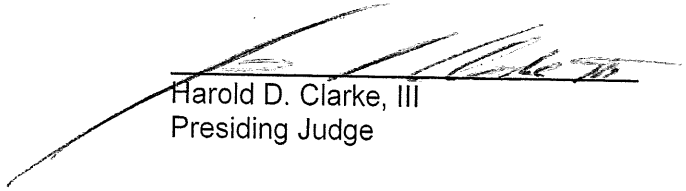
8 NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY:  
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10 For purposes of continued public safety and to ensure the continued administration of  
11 justice for those individuals subject to the Involuntary Treatment Act (ITA), the Clerk of the  
12 Court may accept filings, by electronic means through the use of a secure portal, of the  
13 following documents filed by Designated Crises Responders and/or Court Evaluators at the  
14 various ITA facilities:

- 15 - Petitions Initial Detention, and any amendments thereto;
- 16 - Petitions for 14-day Intensive Treatment, and any amendments thereto;
- 17 - Petitions for 90-day Less Restrictive Involuntary Treatment, and any amendments  
18 thereto;
- 19 - Petitions for 90-day and 180-day Involuntary Treatment
- 20 - Petitions for Revocation
- 21 - Petitions for 90-day and 180-day LRA Extensions
- 22 - Notice of Ineligibility to Possess a Firearm

23 This order may be extended or terminated as needed.

24 Dated: March 26<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

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27 Harold D. Clarke, III  
28 Presiding Judge  
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