IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE 18TH JUDICICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA SITTING IN AND FOR PITTSBURG and McINTOSH COUNTRECEIVED AND FILED IN DISTRICT COURT PITTSBURG COUNTY, OKLA

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There has been a recent spike in Covid-19 numbers. Additionally, 77 of the state's 77 counties are listed as having a moderate to high risk for transmission of the virus. Therefore, subject only to constitutional issues in felony cases, all other jury trials for the upcoming January jury docket are stricken. This does not include juvenile cases and criminal cases where the Defendant is in custody. Those will be set at the discretion of the assigned judge.

In addition to the above order, the Pittsburg County Court Offices (this includes the courtroom and chambers) and the Pittsburg County Court Clerk's office is closed to the public effective December 1, 2020 through January 3, 2021. This does not apply to emergency matters or cases held with the assigned judge's permission. All cases set during this time period are stricken to be reset on motion. Counsel are to contact the assigned judge prior to said hearing for further direction. If there is an uncontested case on the motion dockets of the assigned judge during this time period (December 2nd – January 3rd), the attorneys can leave documents with the personnel checking temperatures at the courthouse entrance. The documents will be signed and filed and returned to the entrance of the courthouse. The attorneys are directed to contact the assigned judge prior to the motion docket with announcements. The next scheduled PHC docket will be January 7, 2021.

The Court Clerk will continue to accept filings by email, regular mail, in person by leaving the document for the respective office at the courthouse entrance, or by fax. Any

document filed by email or fax is limited to a maximum of 10 pages. Any document that is mailed for filing must have a self-addressed postage paid envelope thereon unless the attorney intends to obtain their copy through electronic means.

All payments can still be made by credit/debit card, over the phone, or online. Payments can be made by mail as well.

To be clear, the judges and staff will be in their offices during the time period set forth herein.

Michael W. Hogan, District Judge