

**ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER  
Ninth JUDICIAL DISTRICT**

Pursuant to the authority vested in me, and in accordance with the recent operational protocols issued by the Chief Administrative Judge for the trial courts of the Unified Court System and

WHEREAS, New York State and the nation are now in the midst of an unprecedented public health crisis surrounding the outbreak of COVID-19 (coronavirus); and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 is known to be a highly infectious disease, and there is much community concern that large gatherings of people can result in greater public exposure to possible contagion or "community spread"; it is hereby

ORDERED that pursuant to Criminal Procedure Law § 190.15 the Term of any currently seated grand jury is continued until such date as a new grand jury in the county is authorized to be impaneled by the Chief Administrator of the Courts; and it is further

ORDERED that pursuant to Criminal Procedure Law § 190.20(6), and pursuant to the "good cause" provided by the realities of the COVID-19 pandemic, the court may transfer grand jurors from one panel to another.

Dated: November 24, 2020  
White Plains, New York



Hon. Kathie E. Davidson  
Administrative Judge  
Ninth Judicial District

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Pursuant to the authority granted to me by the Chief Administrative Judge, and in accordance with the operational protocols issued to help combat the spread of the coronavirus, grand juries set to be impaneled within terms twelve and thirteen of the courts for the year 2020 shall be postponed, *nunc pro tunc*, until further order.

Any applications to impanel a new grand jury during the aforementioned terms should be made by the District Attorney to the appropriate Administrative Judge. The Administrative Judge may grant the application after consultation with the Deputy Chief Administrative Judge.

  
Deputy Chief Administrative Judge

Dated: November 23, 2020

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