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News



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Return to Phase I

Due to the surge in COVID-19 cases throughout the State of Michigan and in the County of Macomb, the 16th Judicial Circuit Court, Macomb County Probate Court, and 42nd District Court (Divisions I and II) are moving back to Phase I of the State Court Administrative Office's Return to Full Capacity Plan. In light of the return to Phase I, the Court will only be conducting very limited in-person proceedings. Proceedings will be conducted virtually (via Zoom) to the maximum extent possible. No more than ten (10) people will be permitted in a courtroom at any time, with social distancing required at all times. No jury trials will be conducted until the Court moves out of Phase I. All individuals with business in front of the Court will be notified of whether their proceeding will be conducted in-person or via Zoom.

Chief Judge James M. Biernat, Jr. stated "With infection rates at an all time high in the State of Michigan, it is important that we make our best efforts to continuing fulfilling our constitutional and statutory mandates while also keeping the public and our employees safe. We will continue to operate within the parameters outlined by the State Court Administrative Office, and look forward to a time in the near future when we can return to normal."

Please refer to our websites for further information and contact information:

<https://circuitcourt.macombgov.org/Circuitcourt-Home>

<https://probatecourt.macombgov.org/Probatecourt-Home>

<https://42newbaltimore.macombgov.org/42newbaltimore-Home>

<https://42romeo.macombgov.org/42romeo-Home>

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