IN THE

CIRCUIT COURT FOR BALTIMORE CITY

GENERAL ORDER

Administrative Order No. 2020-03

Due to the outbreak of the novel coronavirus, COVID-19, and consistent with guidance issued by the Center for Disease Control (CDC), an emergency exists that poses a threat of imminent and potentially lethal harm to vulnerable individuals who may come into contact with a court or judicial facility and personnel, and pursuant to Chief Judge Mary Ellen Barbera's Administrative Order on Statewide Judiciary Restricted Operations Due to the COVID-19 Emergency:

It is **HEREBY ORDERED** this _24th_ day of March 2020, that all misdemeanor and felony cases set for pretrial conferences, initial appearances, or for trial are hereby postponed. Pursuant to Maryland Rule 4-271, good cause is found for the postponement of all misdemeanor and felony cases that did not go to trial. New trial dates shall be assigned for misdemeanor cases by the Criminal Assignment Office of the Circuit Court for Baltimore City. New trial dates for felony cases shall be assigned by Judge Melissa Phinn, Judge in Charge of the Criminal Docket.

/s/

Audrey J.S. Carrión, Administrative Judge

cc: Court File
Criminal Assignment