

**IN THE  
CIRCUIT COURT FOR BALTIMORE CITY**

**GENERAL ORDER**

Administrative Order No. 2020-02

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 **FOUND** that Maryland Rule 4-344(f) states that a panel shall issue a written order within thirty (30) days after the application is filed; and it is further

**FOUND** that pursuant to the Administrative Order on Statewide Judiciary Restricted Operations Due to the COVID-19 Emergency, Section (k), pursuant to Maryland Rule 16-1003(a)(7), statutory and rules deadlines related to the adjudication of criminal and juvenile matters shall be suspended and shall be extended by the number of days that the courts are closed by order of the Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals, but no fewer than twenty-one (21) business days after the first day that the courts have been reopened; it is hereby

**ORDERED** this 24<sup>th</sup> day of March 2020, that all requests for three-judge panel review of sentence are hereby stayed until no fewer than twenty-one (21) business days after court resumes its normal operations. Pursuant to Maryland Rule 16-1003(a)(7), statutory and rules deadlines related to the adjudication of criminal and juvenile matters shall be suspended and shall be extended by the number of days that the courts are closed by order of the Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals, but no fewer than twenty-one (21) business days after the first day that the

courts have been reopened, good cause is found for the postponement of all opinions regarding requests for three-judge panel reviews of sentence.

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Audrey J.S. Carrión, Administrative Judge

cc: Court File  
Criminal Assignment