

**IN THE
CIRCUIT COURT FOR BALTIMORE CITY**

GENERAL ORDER

Administrative Order No. 2020-08

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 27th day of April, 2020, that counsel may file pleadings and papers with electronic signatures; and it is further

ORDERED that electronic signatures shall be in compliance with Maryland Rule 20-107 requirements for MDEC electronic signatures; and it is further

ORDERED that pursuant to Maryland Rule 20-107, counsel shall provide filer's address, email address, telephone number, and counsel's Client Protection Fund identification number in the pleading or paper.

SUBJECT TO FURTHER ORDER OF COURT

/s/
Audrey J.S. Carrión, Administrative Judge
Circuit Court for Baltimore City

CC:

Judges and Magistrates of the Circuit Court for Baltimore City
Orphans' Court for Baltimore City
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Women's Bar Association
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LGBTQ Bar Association
Women's Law Center
Maryland Hispanic Bar Association
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South Asian Bar Association
Maryland Criminal Defense Bar
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