

Erath County Justice of the Peace PCT 1

**TEMPORARY STANDING ORDER REGARDING CORONAVIRUS
DISEASE (COVID-19) LITIGATION IN JUSTICE OF THE PEACE
COURTS OF ERATH COUNTY (ORDER NO. 02)**



In response to the Corona virus disease (COVID-19), the Justice Court Pct. 1 of Erath County hereby issues the following order based on the directives issued by the Office of the Governor, the Texas Supreme Court, and the Office of Court Administration. This order is issued to protect the community, limit exposure, and provide for an efficient judicial system.

The order will remain in effect until the Governor, the Texas Supreme Court, or the Office of Court Administration issues a new directive, in which case the Justice Court will issue a new order in compliance with their directives.

All scheduled court proceedings prior to June 1, 2020, except for "essential court proceedings", will be reset to another date after June 1, 2020. If you have a case that has been set for hearing or trial before June 1, 2020, you will be notified of the date and time your case is re-set for.

Although our office will be open, we encourage anyone who must conduct business with the Justice of the Peace Courts to do so by phone or email. To contact the office by phone please call 254-965-1489. You may contact us by email at jp1@co.erath.tx.us.

For traffic/Class C citations with an appearance date prior to May 30, 2020, the appearance date will be extended for 60 days. No warrants or penalties due to failing to appear for a traffic/Class C citation will be issued for 90 days from this order.

If you have any questions regarding your case, please contact our office.

SIGNED THIS 1st DAY OF May, 2020.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Shawnee Bass". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a horizontal line.

**Judge Shawnee Bass
Justice of the Peace PCT 1**