

Entrances: The northwest basement door will be the only entrance available for court participants or visitors while County or Justice Court is in session (8:00 a.m. to 5 p.m.). The southeast annex door shall be the only open entrance while District Court is in session (8:00 p.m. to 5 p.m.). At the open entrance, there shall be a monitor (county employee) stationed to properly screen participants, inform of necessary guidelines and precautions, and ensure compliance. All doors shall be available for exiting.

Physical Distancing: Participants are required to stay physically distant from non-household members with the exception of consultation or communication with counsel. When seated in the Courtroom, participants are required to sit in specifically marked available seats in blue and remain at least two or three seats apart from other participants.

Face Covering: All visitors to the Courthouse must continue to wear face coverings. Masks will be available at the entrance of the Courthouse.

Non-essential visitors: Non-essentials public or family members are urged not to attend except for alleged victims, witnesses or anyone subpoenaed or requested to provide evidence or testimony.

Hygiene: Hand sanitizers will be available throughout the courthouse. Please wash your hands before entering the Courtroom and as often as possible.

Court sessions will be scheduled to reduce occupancy in the courtroom to lowest degree possible.

Vulnerable populations will be given options to attend remotely.

Arraignments are encouraged to be processed by waiver submission through counsel, if possible.

Jury trials will be scheduled after September 1, 2020.

ZOOM INFORMATION

Accessing court hearing using Zoom - go to Duval County Court, the County website is under: **<http://co.duval.tx.us>**

Look for the **hearing date** under County Court then Court Docket and it will show you the Zoom link and the Zoom information to connect to the hearing.