

Procedures at the Criminal Justice Complex
3228 Gun Club Road, West Palm Beach
In accordance with Administrative Order 12.510:
Mitigating Measures in Response to COVID-19

First Appearance Hearings

First Appearance Hearings are essential court proceedings. First Appearances will proceed as normally scheduled at the Gun Club complex:

Monday – Friday: 10:00 am
Saturday & Sunday: 9:00 am

Attorneys may arrange to appear by telephone, by calling Pretrial Services at 561-688-4605 or 561-688-4620.

Risk Protection Orders

Risk Protection hearings are essential court proceedings. They will continue to be specially set by court order. Litigants may arrange to appear by telephone by calling the Judicial Assistant at 561-688-4599, or 561-688-4600.

Drug Court (Criminal Division KD)

Drug court hearings are currently suspended. The drug court program itself will continue but will proceed a little differently during the current crisis.

Participants must continue calling the drug testing hotline Monday – Saturday, and submit a sample if your color is called. If at any time the downtown location closes due to courthouse closures, please proceed to the Greeanres location.

You must continue group and individual sessions, but follow the guidance of your providers.

For DAF clients – You must attend your 2 mini sessions every week.

For CSLW clients – Attend groups per usual and report any changes to Steve, who will report back to us.

NA/AA meetings: 12 step meetings are optional during the time court is suspended. We strongly suggest that you attend online meetings for your own support. Online meetings can be found at na.org or aa-intergroup.org

As an additional requirement while court is suspended, you must have one phone check in with the drug court office every week. This is so we can keep you updated on your next court date and on any other changes.

The drug court office will remain open. Please contact the drug court office with any questions or concerns.

Mental Health Court (Criminal Division T)

In response to the Suspension of Court Activity on Fridays in April, (AO 12.510, para IV), Mental Health Court Friday dates will be rescheduled to the following Wednesday afternoons as follows:

April 4 → April 8 at 1:00 pm

April 17 → April 22 at 1:00 pm

April 24 → April 29 at 1:00 pm

Attorneys may arrange to appear by telephone by calling the Judicial Assistant at 561-688-4599, and arrange for their client's appearance by telephone.

Emergency motions must be filed and docketed, and specially set by the Judicial Assistant.