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Administrative Order	§	In the Probate Court
2021-8	§	Number One
[Superseding and Replacing Administrative Order 2020-13, signed May 29, 2020]	§	Travis County, Texas

**Order Updating Changes in Court Proceedings
Regarding Probate and Guardianship Matters
in Response to the COVID-19 Pandemic**

On this date, the Travis County Probate Court finds that it signed an administrative order on May 29, 2020, updating temporary changes that were implemented in its court proceedings in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. The Court further finds that subsequent to its signing of that administrative order, additional orders and guidance have been issued by the City of Austin, Travis County, the Texas Supreme Court, and the State of Texas that provide additional guidance to the public and the courts in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. The Court finds that in an effort to comply with these additional orders, the changes implemented on May 29, 2020, need to be revised.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Administrative Order 2020-13 signed on May 29, 2020, is hereby superseded and replaced by this Administrative Order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the following changes to the court proceedings shall be implemented until further order of this Court in order to minimize the risk of exposure to COVID-19:

1. The Court will continue to use reasonable efforts to conduct proceedings remotely, including accommodating parties who request to appear remotely.
2. The Court will resume in-person hearings in accordance with the Travis County Probate Court In-Person Operating Plan for Court Proceedings dated July 2021 that was approved by the Local Administrative District Court Judge and is available on the Probate Court's website.

3. If a hearing is conducted in-person, all participants shall wear a face covering over the nose and mouth, and practice social distancing.

Signed on August 1, 2021.



Guy Herman, Judge Presiding