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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF WASHINGTON
FOR THE COUNTY OF WHATCOM

)	Admin File No.
IN THE MATTER OF RESPONSE TO PUBLIC)	20-2-00001-37
HEALTH RISK DUE TO COVID-19 PUBLIC)	
HEALTH EMERGENCY)	TWENTIETH
)	ADMINISTRATIVE
)	ORDER
)	May 28 th , 2021

WHEREAS the state of emergency declared by the Governor of this State and resulting from the current COVID-19 pandemic, and described in this Court’s previous Administrative orders, continues; and

WHEREAS effective May 21, 2021, the Washington State Department of Labor & Industries has issued new guidance regarding vaccinated employees and the continuing need for masks and social distancing; and

WHEREAS on May 8, 2020, Whatcom County Superior Court issued its Sixth Administrative Order mandating, among other things, mask wearing and social distancing throughout the main courthouse; and

WHEREAS the County Executive’s Office will ensure a uniform approach to COVID protective practices in the general areas of the Whatcom County Courthouse as well as at other county facilities; and

WHEREAS members of the public, jurors, attorneys and court staff are often compelled to appear in court, and whereas attorneys and clients must be able to communicate confidentially in the courtroom, presenting a health risk unique to the circumstances in Superior Court courtrooms until the Whatcom County community attains a higher rate of full vaccination; NOW THEREFORE

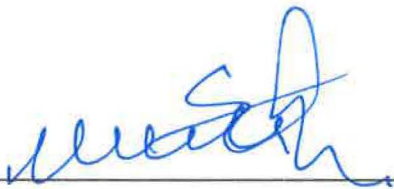
THE COURT HEREBY ORDERS:

Whatcom County Superior Court's Sixth Administrative Order is amended to apply solely to Whatcom County Superior Court courtrooms. All persons in other areas of the courthouse are advised to comply with the COVID response policies and procedures mandated by the Whatcom County Executive.

THIS ORDER updates the Court's Sixth Administrative Order. All other prior Administrative Orders remain in effect to the extent they are not inconsistent with this Order. This Order and all previous administrative orders issued by this court since March 11, 2020, may be deemed part of the record in affected cases for purposes of appeal without the need to file the orders in each case.

DATED this 17th day of May, 2021.

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Robert E. Olson, Presiding Judge