

[No. 5AO2020-55]

FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

Pursuant to the authority vested in me, in accordance with the recent operational protocols issued by the Chief Administrative Judge for the trial courts of the Unified Court System and in furtherance of Administrative Order No. 5AO2020-53 signed on April 9, 2020, establishing "Virtual Chambers" throughout the Fifth District in response to the unprecedented public health crisis caused by the COVID-19 virus, it is hereby

ORDERED, that the Fifth District Virtual Chambers Protocol (Phase I), adopted by Administrative Order No. 5AO2020-53, is hereby amended to include Court Attorney Referees in the definition of "Court" and thereby authorize them to fully participate in Virtual Chambers.

Dated: April 17, 2020 Syracuse, New York

/s/James P. Murphy
Hon. James P. Murphy, JSC
Administrative Judge
Fifth Judicial District

Distribution:
Hon. Vito C. Caruso
Deputy Chief Administrative Judge