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## **COVID-19 PANDEMIC NOTICE**

At Sweeney Law Office, LLC, we are committed to maintaining the highest level of client care while balancing the need to adhere to government guidelines and mandates to reduce contact and slow the spread of COVID-19. We are fortunate that it is a time in the world where electronic and remote communication mediums allow us to remain connected with our clients and the Courts.

On March 16, 2020, the Pennsylvania Supreme Court declared a statewide judicial emergency due to the COVID-19 Pandemic which currently lasts until April 14, 2020. However, at this time all Pennsylvania Courts of Common Pleas remain open on a limited basis for true emergency matters including; but not limited to, Temporary Protection from Abuse proceedings, custody emergencies, juvenile dependency and delinquency emergencies, as well as emergency petitions for guardianship. Rest assured that if there is a true emergency in your family or life that requires Court intervention, our office remains available to assist you and that you will have necessary access to the Courts.

In addition, depending on the County, some proceedings like custody and other conferences are being held via telephone. Most other regularly scheduled non-emergency court matters, are being rescheduled. We will update each client with specifics about any changes to their cases/court proceedings as we receive the information, for the duration of this judicial emergency.

Per the March 19, 2020 Order of Governor Tom Wolf, until April 30, 2020, Sweeney Law Office, LLC will remain open remotely, we will be available to communicate with clients via telephone and, if necessary, video calls. We will have regular access to email, fax and U.S. Mail. Furthermore, some other firms are continuing to work remotely which will allow us to communicate with opposing counsel as well. Although our office location will be generally closed to the

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public, we have set up a drop box outside of our door, which will be checked daily, so that clients who do not have access to email or facsimile can continue to provide important documents to our office. Please note that we will also continue to accommodate the needs of new clients, who are welcome, and as always we encourage and appreciate referrals.

During this uncertain and unprecedented time, please stay safe and remember that Sweeney Law Office, LLC will remain by your side for all of your family's legal needs.