Rosemarie E. Aquilina Chief Judge

James B. Pahl Magistrate



Thomas P. Boyd Judge

Anethia O. Brewer Court Administrator

55th Judicial District Court of the State of Michigan

700 Buhl Avenue, Mason, Michigan 48854 - Pl

Administrative Order 2007-02

PLACES OF HOLDING COURT

RESCINDS: Administrative Order 2005-02

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JAMES P. HUGHES

## IT IS ORDERED:

To designate one or more places in Ingham County where sessions of district county be held to conduct specific hearings for efficiency and improved customer service.

- 1. The 55<sup>th</sup> District Court is authorized to hold court hearings in the Meridian Township Municipal Building at 5151 Marsh Road and Lansing Township Municipal Building at 3209 W. Michigan in Ingham County.
- 2. Cases will be assigned to the remote hearing locations for incidents alleged to have occurred within Meridian and Lansing Townships.
- 3. Hearings will be conducted in Meridian and Lansing Townships on two days each month.
- 4. Hearing types to be heard at both sites will include civil infraction and probable cause determination hearings. Small claims hearings will be heard in Lansing Township when scheduled.
- 5. Litigants may decline to participate at the remote sites and have their cases heard at the Mason Courthouse.
- 6. The off-site sessions/hearings will be open to the public.
- 7. The plan for these off-site sessions takes into account factors regarding:
  - a. Security
  - b. Approved recording of proceedings
  - c. Notification to parties/witnesses/public
  - d. Adequate sound systems
  - e. Site decorum, furniture and audience preparation
  - f. Transportation of court files and records
  - g. Post hearing transactions such as payments and clearances
  - h. Home Court coverage.

Effective Date: March 1, 2007,

Rosemarie E. Aquilina, Chief District Judge

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