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IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE

CABARRUS COUNTY

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SUPERIOR AND DISTRICT COURT DIVISIONS

IN RE:

CABARRUS CO., C.S.C.

CELL PHONES AND OTHER ELECTRONIC DEVICES IN COURTHOUSE

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ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

The undersigned Senior Resident Superior Court Judge and Chief District Court Judge for Judicial District 19A enter this administrative order regarding cell phones and other electronic devices in the Cabarrus County Courthouse.

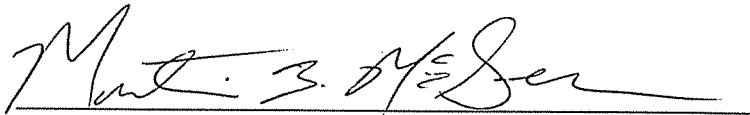
IT IS ORDERED that:

1. Except as otherwise authorized, all cell phones, computers, electronic tablets, cameras, or other electronic devices capable of recording or transmitting sound or images are prohibited in the Cabarrus County Courthouse.
2. This prohibition does not apply to authorized persons. Authorized persons include courthouse staff, licensed North Carolina attorneys, law enforcement officers, county staff entering the building on county business, and AOC staff. Authorized persons also include any person who has been provided an access card to the Cabarrus County Courthouse.
3. Any *pro se* litigant or party to a case may seek authorization of the presiding judge to bring a restricted electronic device into the courtroom if necessary for court business. The elected clerk or his designee may authorize the same for matters appearing before him or his staff. Additionally, for good cause, any person may seek authorization from the Senior Resident Superior Court Judge, the Chief District Court Judge or the Clerk of Superior Court or their designees. The Sheriff may provide authorization for good cause shown. If authorization is given, then courthouse security shall permit such persons to bring the approved device in to the courthouse.
4. A limited number of lockers in the lobby of the courthouse will be provided by the county where electronic devices may be stored at the owner's/possessor's own risk.
5. The use of television, motion picture, video, recorder, audio recorder or still photography cameras, or any device capable of recording or transmitting sound or images in any hearing or trial is prohibited unless specifically authorized by the judge presiding in said court. Request for authorization should be made a reasonable time in advance of the trial or hearing as to not cause a delay in the

court's business. The presiding judge's authority is limited by Rule 15 of the Superior and District Court Rules.

6. Violation of any provision of this order may be punished by sanctions, which may include contempt to the extent permitted by law.
7. This order shall replace any prior orders related to use of electronic devices in the courthouse.
8. This order shall become effective on June 1, 2018.

This the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of May 2018.



Martin B. McGee  
Senior Resident Superior Court Judge



William G. Hamby, Jr.  
Chief District Court Judge