STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF BRUNSWICK JUDICIAL DISTRICT 13B

## IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE SUPERIOR and DISTRICTCOURT DIVISION 21-R- 166

## ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

UPDATED COURT OPERATIONS PROCEDURE FOR PROBATIONERS WITH JAIL DAYS TO BE SERVED ON WEEKENDS OR AS SCHEDULED BY PROBATION

NOW COMES the undersigned Senior Resident Superior Court Judge and Chief District Court Judge entering this Administrative Order concerning updated court operations for probationers with jail days to be served on weekends or pursuant to schedules set by probation.

IT APPEARING TO THE COURT that weekend jail terms have previously been suspended during the pandemic to help prevent the spread of COVID in the Brunswick County Detention Facility.

WHEREAS, there are over 30 individuals on probation in Brunswick County that are required to serve an active sentence on weekends and/or pursuant to a schedule as set out by probation that have been unable to complete said sentence due to COVID-19 court operations.

This Administrative Order supersedes and replaces this court's previous Administrative Order regarding the suspension of weekend jail sentences during the COVID pandemic.

WHEREAS, in order to memorialize updated court operations for Brunswick County, the Court hereby enters the following Administrative Order as it relates to active jail sentences as a condition of probation:

- 1. Effective immediately, ALL individuals on probation in Brunswick County required to serve an active jail sentence as a condition of probation (either to be served on weekends or as scheduled by probation) shall be permitted to begin serving said sentences beginning November 10, 2021.
- 2. That priority for these active sentences shall be given to all probationers with a term of probation that will expire within 60 days, and/or probationers that are in violation status due to their failure to serve their split sentence.
- 3. That the Division of Adult Correction and Juvenile Justice shall begin enforcing these active sentences immediately but shall limit the number of probationers serving on weekends to twelve (12) each weekend through January 31, 2022. On a weekly basis, probation shall supply the detention facility with the list of probationers that will be serving their jail sentence each weekend (or other time period) beginning November 10, 2021. Probation shall schedule at least 10 probationers to serve jail sentences each weekend in an effort to significantly reduce the backlog of "weekenders" before January 31, 2022.
- 4. After entry of this Order, any judgment entered requiring a split sentence to be served in the county jail (either on weekends or pursuant to a schedule as set out

- by probation) shall include a provision that permits the split sentence to be served within 90 days as arranged by probation.
- 5. This Order replaces and supersedes all previously entered administrative orders regarding the suspension of weekend jail sentences.
- 6. This Order shall terminate February 1, 2022, if not otherwise terminated sooner.

Entered in Chambers, this the 9<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2021.

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Chief District Court Judge

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Sr. Resident Superior Court Judge