IN RE:

: IN THE BERKS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA : COURT OF COMMON PLEAS : ORPHAN'S COURT DIVISION

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TEMPORARY ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

AND NOW, this 17th day of March, 2020, it is Ordered and Decreed that the Orphan's Court Division of the Court of Common Pleas of Berks County will continue to hear emergency Guardianship petitions per Orphan's Court rules. Only counsel is required to attend the hearing. Counsel may waive presence of the petitioner and is encouraged to do so but petitioner may attend if counsel insists. All witnesses shall testify by phone. The presence of the alleged incapacitated person is waived but may attend if they desire to do so, or they may participate telephonically.

Further, non-emergency Guardianship petitions shall be heard after April 15, 2020 unless upon good cause shown.

Other Orphan's Court matters shall continue to be heard at the discretion of the assigned Orphan's Court Judge and in the manner per the Judge's instructions.

This Administrative Order shall be effective immediately and shall remain in effect until rescinded by Order of Court.

BY THE COURT:

JAMÉS M. BUCCI, J.