## IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY

In the Matter of Implementing	)	PRESIDING JUDGE ORDER NO. 2001-3000
CJO 20-016 in Criminal	)	
Proceedings	)	
	)	ORDER RE CRIMINAL
	)	PROCEEDINGS UNDER LEVEL 2 RESTRICTIONS

The court previously issued Presiding Judge Orders (PJOs) describing court operations in civil, criminal, family, juvenile and probate cases under Level 2 restrictions in light of the COVID-19 pandemic and the move into the new courthouse. The court continues to look for opportunities to serve the public by expanding services that it can safely provide during the COVID-19 pandemic consistent with the Level 2 restrictions imposed by Chief Justice Order (CJO) 20-016, and will conduct proceedings using remote means where possible and authorized to limit the potential for exposure.

In addition, incidents of rioting and related crimes against persons and property—often directed at law enforcement or government buildings and officials—have occurred in the City of Portland in recent weeks. As a result, government officials, including the Governor, the Portland Mayor, the Multnomah County District Attorney, the Multnomah County Sheriff, and the Chief of the Portland Police Bureau, have asked the court to consider expanding operations that were previously limited due to the COVID-19 pandemic in order to keep these cases moving through the criminal justice system without undue delay. Under the circumstances, the court has concluded that it can and should resume conducting arraignments for out-of-custody defendants in some additional cases.

Accordingly, in addition to the proceedings expressly allowed under previously-issued CJOs and PJOs, beginning September 9, 2020, the court will conduct arraignments for out-of-custody defendants charged with the following offenses where the arrest stems from a failure to disperse after a declaration of a unlawful or riotous assembly under ORS 131.675: Assault or Attempted Assault (any degree); Assault or Attempted Assault on a Public Safety Officer; Resisting Arrest; Arson in the First or Second Degree; Reckless Burning; Reckless Endangerment; Menacing; Riot; Unlawful Use of a Weapon; Any firearm or weapon charge; Attempted Murder; and Unlawful Directing of Light from a Laser Pointer.

day of September, 2020.

Stephen K. Bushons

**Presiding Judge** 

**Multnomah County Circuit Court** 

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Order

