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In Re: Cellular Telephones and/or Other  
Electronic Devices in the Courthouse

No. 10149 - 2017

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

Mancini, P.J.

May 9, 2017

It is hereby ORDERED as follows:

- (1) No photograph, audio recording or video recording may be taken or made in any area on the **Second Floor** of the Courthouse unless permission has first been obtained from the presiding Judge or Office Supervisor. The term "**Second Floor**" includes all offices and hallways on the **Second Floor** of the Beaver County Courthouse. The only exception being the "Rotunda" area located at the front of the building. This paragraph shall not apply to members of the news media.
- (2) No photograph, audio recording or video recording may be made or taken in any courtroom, magisterial district court, adult probation department office (including satellite offices), domestic relations division office or juvenile services division office unless permission has first been obtained from the presiding Judge, Magisterial District Judge or Office Supervisor, subject to the requirements and limitations set forth in Pa.R.J.A. No. 1910 and Pa.R.Crim.Pro. 112.
- (3) No photograph, audio recording or video recording of any witness, juror, or state or municipal police officer involved in a pending judicial proceeding, may be taken or made by any person, anywhere in the Courthouse, whether or not court is in session.
- (4) All electronic devices, including cellphones, tablets and laptops, must be powered off (not

simply muted) in any courtroom, central court, magisterial district court, adult probation department office (including satellite offices), domestic relations division office and juvenile services division office unless permission to activate the device has first been obtained from the presiding Judge, Hearing Officer or Office Supervisor. This paragraph shall not apply to licensed attorneys, uniformed police officers, court employees or county employees, acting within the scope of their employment.

(5) The Sheriff of Beaver County and his deputies are authorized to enforce this Order, including taking immediate possession of the offending electronic device.

(6) Any device confiscated pursuant to this Order that is not claimed by its lawful owner within seven (7) business days of such confiscation shall be declared forfeited to Beaver County.

(7) Violation of this Order may constitute contempt of court and result in the confiscation of the subject device, the deletion of any offending data or material on such device, the imposition of a fine up to \$1,000 and/or imprisonment of up to six (6) months.

(8) This Order shall be effective thirty (30) days after it is published in the Pennsylvania Bulletin.

The District Court Administrator is Directed to:

1. file one (1) certified copy of this Administrative Order with the Administrative Office of Pennsylvania Courts;
2. submit two (2) certified copies of this Administrative Order and a copy on computer diskette or CD-ROM containing the text of the Administrative Order to the Legislative Reference Bureau for publication in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*;
3. submit one (1) certified copy of this Administrative Order to the Civil Procedural Rules Committee of the Pennsylvania Supreme Court;
4. publish a copy of this Administrative Order on the Beaver County Court of Common Pleas website, <http://www.beavercountypa.gov/courts/courts-common-pleas>, after publication

in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*;

5. keep a copy of this Administrative Order continuously available for public inspection and copying in the Office of the Prothonotary of Beaver County; and
6. keep a copy of this Administrative Order continuously available for public inspection and copying in the Beaver County Law Library.

BY THE COURT,

  
Richard Mancini, President Judge

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RICHARD MANCINI  
PRESIDENT JUDGE

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NANCY WERNER  
PROTHONOTARY  
BEAVER COUNTY, PA

I, Nancy Werner, Prothonotary of the  
Court of Common Pleas of Beaver County,  
do certify that this is a true and correct  
copy of the original record.

Date: 5-9-2017 Nancy Werner  
Prothonotary

By: [Signature]  
Deputy