



**DALE SPURGIN**  
**JONES COUNTY JUDGE**

**JAMIE JORDAN**  
**ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT**

May 13, 2020

RE: COURTHOUSE REOPENING

The order and declaration of the Jones County Commissioners Court Amendment #8 contains the provision that on Monday May 18, 2020, the Courthouse basement interior glass doors will be unlocked. Persons coming to the Jones County Courthouse shall enter at the Courthouse basement, south entrance. Each elected official may establish any restrictions as to access to its specific offices. These specific office restrictions shall be posted by the respective elected officials and on the County website.

Anyone having possible symptoms of COVID 19 such as cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fever, chills, muscle pain, sore throat, new loss of taste or smell, nausea, vomiting, or diarrhea or has been in close contact with someone that tested positive for COVID 19 in the last 14 days should not come to the Jones County Courthouse.

Everyone should be considered as potentially having COVID 19 regardless of having or not having symptoms of COVID 19.

Public restrooms will be the ADA restrooms in the basement. Employee restrooms will be the second floor and the ADA restroom on the third floor. First floor restrooms will remain closed to the public and employees.

Mask and Gloves are not required by this order, but will be available in each office and may be required by the elected official.

Social distancing of 6 feet will be required in all areas of the Courthouse. Hand washing and hand sanitizer will available and encouraged. Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when you cough or sneeze, or cough or sneeze into your elbow.

Anyone not complying will be required to leave the Courthouse without completing any business transactions.

Amendment #8 shall become effective at 12:01 am Monday, May 18, 2020, and shall end on May 26, 2020.

The courts will have a plan submitted and approved by the regional administrative judge to have non-essential in-person hearings beginning June 1, 2020.

The Law Enforcement Center will continue to operate under the guidelines established by the Jones County Sheriff.