IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE

IN RE COVID-19
PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES

ORDER

This 16th day of March 2020, it appears to the Supreme Court of Delaware that:

WHEREAS, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has determined that a novel coronavirus ("COVID-19") presents a serious public health threat, and this threat is affecting Delaware;

WHEREAS, the President of the United States of America, has declared a National State of Emergency due to the public health threat caused by COVID-19;

WHEREAS, under his authority set forth in 20 *Del. C.* ch. 31, Governor John C. Carney declared a State of Emergency for the State of Delaware due to the public health threat caused by COVID-19;

WHEREAS, under 10 *Del. C.* § 2004, the Chief Justice, in consultation with other members of the Supreme Court, declared a judicial emergency that went into effect on March 16, 2020 at 8:00 a.m. and that will continue for 30 days, subject to further review; and

WHEREAS, in the interest of protecting litigants, practitioners, court staff, and the public, the Supreme Court of Delaware has implemented, and will continue to implement, certain precautionary measures.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the following precautionary measures will go into effect immediately and remain in place until further order of the Supreme Court of Delaware:

- 1. Supreme Court Rule 10(d), which requires the filing of paper copies of briefs and appendices with the Court, is suspended.
- 2. Lawyers shall not submit paper copies of any documents that have been electronically filed with the Court.

FOR THE COURT:

/s/ Collins J. Seitz, Jr.
Chief Justice