

IN THE MUNICIPAL COURT
FOR THE CITY OF LYNDEN

IN THE MATTER OF) ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
EMERGENCY RESPONSE TO)
WASHINGTON'S STATEWIDE) NO. 1-2024
COURT INFORMATION SYSTEM OUTAGE)

WHEREAS, on November 4, 2024, the Administrative Office of the Court (AOC) Notified State Courts that it experienced unauthorized activity on the Washington Courts Network, necessitating immediate action to secure critical systems, to include ceasing operation of the State's Judicial Information System, Washington Courts website and affiliate websites; and

WHEREAS, the loss of the Judicial Information Systems at AOC affects all aspects of the Lynden Municipal Court's processes, including, but not limited to, filing cases, scheduling hearings, applying payments, and reviewing databases for necessary information to decide matters; and

WHEREAS, the absence of the court information system has created an emergency requiring this Court to adopt, modify, and suspend court rules and orders; and to take further action concerning court operations as warranted to address the current state of emergency; and

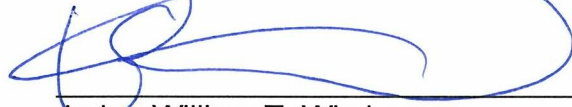
WHEREAS, on November 8, 2024, the Washington State Supreme Court promulgated Emergency Administrative Order No. 25700-B-720 allowing Washington Courts to expand or extend time rules on criminal cases regarding filing, speedy trial, sentencing, and out of custody arraignments, and speedy infraction filings, hearings, and disposition, if the unavailability of the AOC networks and databases hinders the local court's ability to meet said deadlines, process filings or effectively decide cases; and

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby ORDERED:

1. The portions of the Courts of Limited Jurisdiction Rules, statutes, local rules, policies, or procedures regarding filing, scheduling, docketing, and transmitting information to AOC or DOL are extended or expanded by fourteen (14) days from the date of this order or until the AOC court information systems are restored, whichever is later.
2. The portions of the Courts of Limited Jurisdiction Infraction Rules, statutes, local rules, policies, or procedures regarding time for case filing, speedy hearing, disposition are extended or expanded by fourteen (14) days from the date of this order or until the AOC court information systems are restored, whichever is later.
3. All time requirements of CrRLJ 3.3, CrRLJ 4.1, CrRLJ 4.7, IRLJ 2.1, IRLJ 2.6 (both infraction and vehicle related violation) and any other court rules, policies, procedures or statutes regarding 'TIME' is extended or expanded by fourteen (14) days from the date of this order or until the AOC court information systems are restored, whichever is later November 4, 2024.
4. The portions of the Courts of Limited Jurisdiction Rules, statutes, local rules, policies, or procedures regarding the posting of payments are extended or expanded by fourteen (14) days from the date of this order or until the AOC court information systems are restored, whichever is later November 4, 2024.
5. To Court relies on, and, in certain circumstances, are required to review AOC court information systems when deciding or ruling on matters. This Court retains discretion to continue any hearing for which the Judicial Officer finds, due to the AOC outage, they lack the information necessary for deciding such matters.
6. This order applies retroactively to the date of Washington State Court Information System operations were first interrupted and this Order will expire automatically two

days after the judicial information system, networks, and/or databases, hosted by the Administrative Office of the Courts are restored and operational as announced by the Administrative Office of the Courts, unless extended by further order of this Court.

DATED this 13th day of November, 2024.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'William T. Wisdom', written over a horizontal line.

Judge William T. Wisdom
Lynden Municipal Court