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Hon. Thomas C. Fincham Division I

Hon. Abe (Quint) Shafer Division III

Hon. W. Ann Hansbrough Division IV

Hon. Dennis C. Eckold Division V

Your pending misdemeanor case has been scheduled for a docket call. During this difficult period of time due to the Covid pandemic and based up on the recommendation of health experts, our Court is attempting to reduce the number of folks being in close proximity to each other during large court dockets. In an effort to help keep people safe and healthy and to avoid coming to court unnecessarily, please consider the following options:

- 1. If you need additional time to speak to an attorney or to make a payment of a fine you may obtain a continuance by calling 816-858-1925. The Clerk will provide you with the new court date. You can also go www.court.mo.gov and check on your case on casenet.
- 2. If you want to make application for a Public Defender, please contact the clerk at 816-858-1925 and she will send you the application and give you a continuance. Please note that if your charge is a D Misdemeanor, you would not be entitled to appointment of a public defender since you do not face jail time in D Misdemeanor cases.
- 3. If you want to plead guilty, please contact the clerk at 816-858-1925 and she will continue your case and will schedule the matter for a guilty plea docket.
- 4. If you have not yet appeared in court, your arraignment (reading of charges and your rights) can be done via Webex conference by use of your phone, computer or tablet. You can contact the clerk at 816-858-1925 to arrange a Webex meeting for your arraignment.

Thank you and stay well.

Sincerely,

Kimberly K. Johnson

Platte County Circuit Clerk