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**Re: Attorney Visits**

To whom it may concern,

As we continue to work our way through the many difficulties created by the COVID-19 pandemic, we have had to adjust a number of our normal operating procedures at the Purgatory Correctional Facility. One of those adjustments has been the suspension of all on-site visitation, including attorney visits. As you know, there are still a number of viable options when it comes to communicating with your clients. These communications can be achieved through the use of legal mail and/or our inmate communications provider (GTL), which allows for phone calls, direct messaging, and/or video visitation. Since all of these communications take place in the inmate's assigned housing unit, we initiated another option for video visits where the conversations may be too sensitive in nature to be conducted in the housing units. For these, we have setup weekend visitation, via the Webex system, for attorneys and their clients. To schedule a Webex visit, please follow the steps below:

- (1) Schedule the Visit – To do this, please contact our Transportation Court Liason, Ferila Feula. She can be reached Monday through Thursday at (435)656-6618 or at [ffeula@washersiff.net](mailto:ffeula@washersiff.net). Ferila will schedule you for a specific 30 minute block or blocks. She will also create and provide a weekend visitation schedule for the Housing staff, who will then be tasked with facilitating the visit.
- (2) On the scheduled day and time, log in to Webex and send an invitation to [housing@washersiff.net](mailto:housing@washersiff.net). Housing staff will accept the invitation and connect for the inmate. Housing staff will remain outside of the designated area for security, but your client will be the only person in the room. These visits are not recorded or monitored.
- (3) If you run into any issues\* at the scheduled time, please call directly into Booking at (435)656-6602. Since they are on-site, they will be able to address any issues much quicker than Administration would be able to.
- (4) If you run into any issues with the scheduling during the week, please feel free to contact Chief Schultz directly. \*Please keep in mind that jail operations can be unpredictable, and a significant jail incident may disrupt and/or delay your scheduled visit.

If there are special circumstances which render the above communication options ineffective, you may request an administrative exception. If granted, this would come in the form of an on-site barrier visit. Although not an exhaustive list, some examples of special circumstances which might warrant an exception would include emergency/short notice hearings, out of town attorneys, particularly sensitive/high profile issues, and/or visits which require the sharing of substantial amounts of discovery. Requests for administrative exceptions should be made directly to Chief Schultz.

Thank you all, and we appreciate your cooperation and understanding during these difficult times. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out.

Respectfully submitted,

Chief Deputy Jake Schultz  
Jail Commander