

NOTICE FROM THE DAWES COUNTY DISTRICT AND COUNTY COURT

IN AN EFFORT TO HELP SLOW OR STOP THE SPREAD OF THE CORONAVIRUS, AND TO KEEP YOU AND COURT STAFF SAFE FROM CONTAMINATION, THE OFFICES OF THE DAWES COUNTY DISTRICT COURT AND THE DAWES COUNTY COUNTY COURT ARE CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

COURT BUSINESS WILL STILL CONTINUE. MOST COURT HEARINGS WILL BE DONE BY TELEPHONE CONFERENCE CALL. ON LIMITED CASES WHERE A TELEPHONE CONFERENCE CALL IS NOT POSSIBLE, THOSE COURT CASES WILL BE DONE IN THE COURTROOM. ONLY THE LITIGANTS, THEIR ATTORNEY AND COURT STAFF WILL BE ALLOWED IN THE COURTROOM.

ON JUVENILE CASES, ONLY THE PARENT/GUARDIAN/CUSTODIAN OF THE JUVENILE AND THE JUVENILE WILL BE ALLOWED IN THE COURTROOM.

NO SPOUSES, OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS OR FRIENDS WILL BE ALLOWED IN THE COURTROOM AND WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO WAIT IN THE LOBBY AREA OUTSIDE THE COURTROOM.

COURT STAFF WILL CONTINUE TO PROCESS COURT CASES AS USUAL.

IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS FOR THE DAWES COUNTY DISTRICT COURT, PLEASE CALL THEM AT THE FOLLOWING PHONE NUMBER FOR ASSISTANCE. COURT STAFF WILL BE AVAILABLE TO ASSIST YOU BETWEEN 8:30 AM -4:30 PM MONDAY-FRIDAY.

**DAWES COUNTY DISTRICT COURT
451 MAIN STREET, SUITE B
CHADRON, NE 69337
308-432-0109**

IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS FOR THE DAWES COUNTY COUNTY COURT, PLEASE CALL THEM AT THE FOLLOWING PHONE NUMBER FOR ASSISTANCE. COURT STAFF WILL BE AVAILABLE TO ASSIST YOU BETWEEN 7:30 AM -4:30 PM MONDAY-FRIDAY.

**DAWES COUNTY COUNTY COURT
451 MAIN STREET, SUITE D
CHADRON, NE 69337
308-432-0116**

PAYMENT OF TRAFFIC CITATIONS, FINES AND COURT COSTS

IF YOU WANT TO PAY A TRAFFIC TICKET BY CREDIT CARD, YOU CAN PAY THAT TICKET BY GOING TO THE FOLLOWING WEB ADDRESS AND FOLLOWING THE INSTRUCTIONS: ne.gov/go/paycourts

IF YOU WANT TO PAY A TRAFFIC TICKET BY CHECK OR CASH AND YOU HAVE THE TRAFFIC TICKET IN YOUR POSSESSION, SIGN THE TICKET IN THE PLACE INDICATED ON THE TICKET AND PLACE THE SIGNED TICKET AND YOUR PAYMENT IN AN ENVELOPE. YOU CAN EITHER MAIL THE TICKET AND PAYMENT TO THE DAWES COUNTY COURT AT THE ABOVE ADDRESS OR PLACE AN ENVELOPE CONTAINING THE TICKET AND YOUR PAYMENT IN THE LOCKED "BALLOT BOX" LOCATED ON THE LANDING OF THE FRONT ENTRANCE TO THE COURTHOUSE. COURTHOUSE STAFF WILL ACCESS THAT BALLOT BOX DAILY AND PROCESS ALL PAYMENTS MADE.

IF YOU HAVE FINES AND/OR COURT COSTS TO PAY PURSUANT TO A TIME PAYMENT AGREEMENT, YOU CAN EITHER PLACE THE PAYMENT IN AN ENVELOPE AND LEAVE THAT ENVELOPE IN THE "BALLOT BOX" LOCATED ON THE FRONT LANDING OF THE COURTHOUSE, OR YOU CAN MAIL THAT TIME PAYMENT TO THE DAWES COUNTY COURT AT THE ABOVE ADDRESS. PLEASE LEAVE YOUR NAME AND CURRENT MAILING ADDRESS WITH YOUR PAYMENT SO THAT IT GETS CREDITED TO YOU AND THE COURT CAN MAIL YOU A RECEIPT.

YOU ALSO CAN PAY FINES AND/OR COURT COSTS ONLINE WITH A CREDIT CARD AT THE FOLLOWING WEB ADDRESS: ne.gov/go/paycourts

IF YOU ARE A SELF-REPRESENTED LITIGANT IN A CIVIL CASE, MULTIPLE FORMS CAN BE ACCESSED ON-LINE AT THE FOLLOWING WEB ADDRESS: supremecourt.nebraska.gov UNDER THE SELF-HELP LINK.

IF YOU DON'T HAVE ACCESS TO THE INTERNET, TELEPHONE THE COURT AND THE COURT CLERK WILL DETERMINE IF THERE IS A FORM FOR WHAT YOU WANT TO DO, AND IF SO, THE COURT CAN MAIL YOU THE NECESSARY FORMS.

IF YOU ARE APPLYING FOR EITHER A DOMESTIC ABUSE OR HARASSMENT PROTECTION ORDER, THOSE FORMS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE FOLLOWING WEB ADDRESS: supremecourt.nebraska.gov

IF YOU DON'T HAVE ACCESS TO THE INTERNET, YOU CAN TELEPHONE THE DISTRICT COURT AT THE ABOVE NUMBER AND THEY CAN MAIL THE FORMS TO YOU. PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT THE PETITION TO OBTAIN THE PROTECTION ORDER MUST BE SIGNED IN THE PRESENCE OF A NOTARY PUBLIC.

AFTER SIGNING THE PETITION TO OBTAIN A PROTECTION ORDER, RETURN IT AND ANY OTHER DOCUMENTS ACCESSED ON-LINE OR FURNISHED BY THE COURT EITHER BE MAILING THOSE COMPLETED FORMS BACK TO THE DAWES COUNTY DISTRICT COURT AT THE ABOVE ADDRESS OR BY PLACING IN AN ENVELOPE AND DEPOSITING IN THE "BALLOT BOX" LOCATED ON THE LANDING TO THE FRONT ENTRANCE OF THE COURTHOUSE.

UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE, THE DISTRICT COURT WILL NOT BE PROCESSING PASSPORT APPLICATIONS.

THESE ARE UNPRECEDENTED TIMES THAT NONE OF US HAVE EXPERIENCED BEFORE. WE APOLOGIZE FOR ANY INCONVENIENCE. TO THE BEST OF OUR ABILITIES WE WILL ENDEAVOR TO KEEP THE COURTS FUNCTIONING TO THE EXTENT POSSIBLE.

CELESTE CATTIN, CLERK OF THE DAWES COUNTY DISTRICT COURT

LORI MISKIMINS, CLERK MAGISTRATE, DAWES COUNTY COURT