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## CONTROLLED PUBLIC ACCESS TO COURTHOUSES SET TO BEGIN AS CLERK REOPENS

**Fort Lauderdale, FL** – Effective June 1, 2020, the Broward County Clerk of Courts office is opening all clerk functions at all courthouses, thus allowing members of the public entry into any Broward courthouse to conduct business at the Clerks' offices. Any previous order permitting public access to courthouses will remain in place. All courtrooms will remain closed during the month of June.

After consultation and upon agreement, Court Administration, the State Attorney's Office, and the Public Defender's Offices will continue their remote operations. Court activity will continue to be conducted via Zoom.

Anyone visiting any Broward courthouse to conduct business at the Clerk's office are required to wear a mask and have their temperature taken prior to entry. Social distancing measures will be in place where visitors will conduct business, and sanitizing will be increased in all areas by county staff.

Agency stakeholders will meet again mid-June to decide July activities.

Check <u>http://www.17th.flcourts.org/</u> for updates.