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**To: Lapeer County Law Enforcement Agencies, Lapeer County Bar Association and Lapeer County Concerned Citizens:**

Consistent with the declared State of Emergency by the President of the United States and Governor of the State of Michigan, as well as the recommendations by the Michigan Supreme Court Administrative Order No. 2020.1 regarding the spreading of the Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19 virus), as the LAPEER COUNTY PROSECUTING ATTORNEY, I am taking the following precautionary measures to ensure the public's health and safety of our Lapeer County legal community:

1. **Adjournments requests:** Consistent with the Michigan Supreme Court Administrative Order No. 2020.1, adjournments are being encouraged; accordingly, in anticipated cooperation with all the Lapeer County Courts, please email your proposed Stipulation/Order of Adjournment(s) to the Lapeer County Prosecuting Attorney's Office. As required by MCR 2.503, I suggest you state the following Covid-19 "good cause" reason and leave the new Court date open for the Court to fill in, (see attached sample).<sup>1</sup>

2. **Emergency matters** will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis.

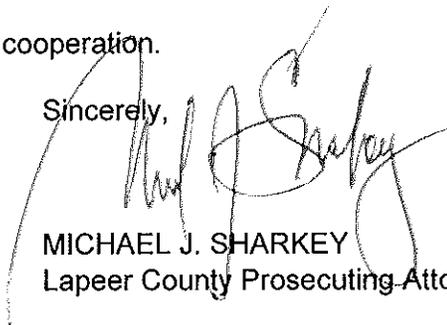
3. **Prosecuting Attorney's Office public counter:** At the present time and until further notice, the Lapeer County Prosecuting Attorney's Office will remain open and fully staffed to conduct essential operations; however, the public counter will be temporarily closed to the public. If you need assistance, please call us at the following numbers:

Lapeer County Prosecuting Attorney	810-667-0326
Lapeer County Victim's Rights	810-667-0326
Family Support	810-245-4722 or 245-4706

Thank you for your understanding, patience and cooperation.

Sincerely,

March 17, 2020

  
**MICHAEL J. SHARKEY**  
Lapeer County Prosecuting Attorney

<sup>1</sup> Be mindful that the Hon. Denise Page Hood, Chief Judge of the United States District Court Eastern District of Michigan, issued Administrative Order 20-AO-021, dated March 13, 2020, stating: "With regard to criminal matters, due to the Court's reduced ability to obtain an adequate spectrum of jurors and the effect of the recommendations for the public health organizations of the availability of counsel and Court staff to be present in the courtroom, the time period of the postponements implemented by this administrative order will be excluded under the Speedy Trial Act, as the Court specifically finds that the ends of justice served by ordering the postponements outweigh the best interest of the public and any defendant's right to a speedy trial, pursuant to 18 USC sec 3161(h)(7)(A)."

**STATE OF MICHIGAN  
IN THE 40<sup>th</sup> CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF LAPEER**

PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN,

Plaintiff,

File No. 20-                    -FH(H)  
HON. NICK O. HOLOWKA

v

"JOHN DOE",

Defendant.

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**STIPULATED ORDER OF ADJOURNMENT**

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At a session of said Court held in the Courthouse  
in the City of Lapeer, County of Lapeer and State of Michigan,  
this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2020.

PRESENT: HON. NICK O. HOLOWKA, Circuit Court Chief Judge

This matter having come before the Court pursuant to a stipulation by the parties and the Court being otherwise advised in the premises;

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Pretrial Conference scheduled for \_\_\_\_\_, is hereby adjourned for the reason that both parties are exercising COVID-19 virus precautions.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Settlement Conference is re-scheduled for \_\_\_\_\_, 2020.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
HON. NICK O. HOLOWKA

Approved as to form and content:

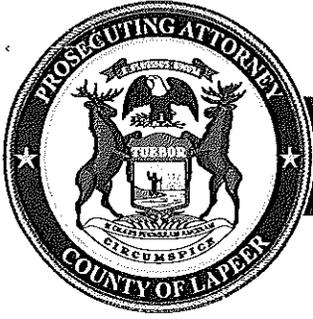
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**Good morning Lapeer County Police Chiefs,**

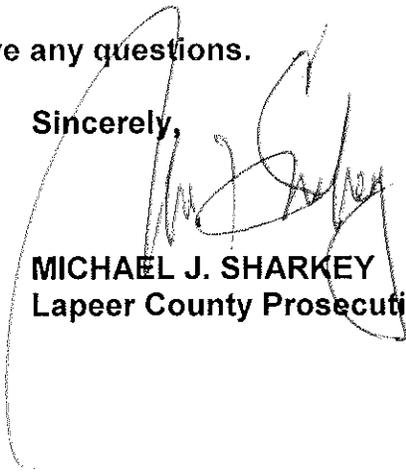
**Re: THE NEW MARIHUANA LAW, TOPIC: Where do we go from here?**  
**WHEN: March 19, 2020 from 10am-12pm**  
**WHERE: LAPEER COUNTY COURTHOUSE**

The two-hour training seminar sponsored by the Lapeer County Prosecuting Attorney's Office regarding the present state of marihuana in Michigan was to be presented by the State's foremost experts on the topic Ken Stecker and Lieutenant Chris Hawkins of the Michigan State Police, has been postponed.

PACC/PAAM, the Michigan State Police and my office have been closely monitoring the COVID-19 situation and reviewing current recommendations from the State of Michigan as well as the CDC. Collectively, we have decided that because the health and safety of our attendees and presenters is of utmost concern, the training seminar has been postponed for the next few weeks. We will continue to monitor the situation and will reschedule the training seminar once it is feasible to do so.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

  
**MICHAEL J. SHARKEY**  
**Lapeer County Prosecuting Attorney**