

IN THE THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT  
STATE OF KANSAS

Administrative Order 19 – 02

ORDER RESETTING AFTERNOON EVIDENTIARY  
PRELIMINARY HEARING DOCKETS TO 2:00 P.M.

On this 15<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2019 it is hereby ordered that afternoon evidentiary preliminary hearing dockets in Butler County will commence at 2:00 p.m. rather than 2:30 p.m. These dockets are normally conducted on certain Wednesdays of the month, but are occasionally conducted on other days of the week.

This change is being made to utilize more of the standard afternoon court time, and to allow for the same amount of time to conduct these dockets (three hours) as is currently allocated for the morning evidentiary preliminary dockets. It is contemplated that an earlier start time will lead to an earlier finish of the afternoon evidentiary dockets.

This order is effective on April 15, 2019, and applies to all subsequent Butler County evidentiary preliminary hearing dockets. To the extent that defendants, attorneys, witnesses, and other persons have been previously informed of a 2:30 evidentiary preliminary hearing start time, no negative consequences shall result from those persons appearing by the 2:30 start time, and there is no necessity for anyone to attempt to change these persons' arrival time. During the transition period, each district judge may take up cases which are ready to present at 2:00 p.m., or to wait for necessary persons to arrive by 2:30 p.m. and then address those cases as appropriate.

Preliminary hearing scheduling/waiver dockets traditionally conducted on Mondays are not affected by this order.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

  
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David A. Ricke  
Chief Judge