

## COURTROOM 5G PROTOCOL

Beginning June 1, 2020, the PAC calendar will resume. The protocol for the PAC, ARR, and Misc. calendars will be as follows:

- 1.) The cases will be conferenced in person by the AG and defense counsel with the defendant's appearance waived. After conferencing and a resolution is agreed upon, whether ARR or disposition, a date will be given for the defendant to appear following limitation guidelines.
- 2.) If counsel has a pending case and would like it to be scheduled prior to the presently scheduled hearing date, defense counsel may notify Erin Ferns, Deputy Clerk in courtroom 5G via email at [eferns@courts.ri.gov](mailto:eferns@courts.ri.gov). Erin will schedule an agreed upon date for conference with the sitting Magistrate and AG in accordance with COVID-19 guidelines for in-person conferences.
- 3.) Notices for court appearances to defendants will be made by defense counsel.

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Patrick Burke  
Magistrate  
May 20, 2020