

1 IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF ADAMS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

2 Administrative Order

3 Number 15 of 2024

4 In Re: Adams County Rules of Criminal Procedure

5 **ORDER OF COURT**

6 AND NOW, this 23rd day of October, 2024, IT IS ORDERED that Adams County Rules of
7 Criminal Procedure are amended, as follows:

8 **Rule 547. Return of Transcript and Original Papers.**

9 **When a defendant is held for court, or after the issuing authority receives notice that the**
10 **case will be presented to the indicting grand jury and closes out the case, the issuing authority**
11 **shall prepare a transcript of the proceedings. The transcript and any associated documents shall**
12 **be electronically scanned and transmitted to the clerk of courts in digital format in lieu of**
13 **transmitting the physical paper transcript and associated documents. The electronically scanned**
14 **transcript and associated documents shall constitute the original documents for purposes of this**
15 **rule. The issuing authority shall retain the physical paper transcript and associated documents as**
16 **long as required to comply with record retention policies.**

17 **Note: Text of rule effective April 1, 2025.**

18 This rule amendment shall become effective after all the provisions of the Pennsylvania Rules
19 of Criminal Procedure are met, to include the following:

- 20 a. A certified copy of this order shall be submitted to the Criminal Procedural Rules
21 Committee for review;
- 22 b. Upon receipt of a statement from the Criminal Procedural Rules Committee that the local
23 rules is not inconsistent with any general rule of the Supreme Court, two (2) certified
24 copies of this Order together with a computer diskette that complies with the requirement
25 of 1 Pa. Code §13.11 (b), or other compliant format, containing the text of the local rule(s)

1 adopted hereby shall be distributed to the Legislative Reference Bureau for publication in
2 the Pennsylvania Bulletin;

3 c. One (1) certified copy of this Order shall be forwarded to the Administrative Office of the
4 Pennsylvania Courts;

5 d. A copy of the local rule shall be published on the Unified Judicial System's website.

6 e. This Order shall be filed in the Office of the Prothonotary of Adams County and a copy
7 thereof shall be filed with the Adams County Clerk of Courts and the Adams County Law
8 Library for inspection and copying;

9 f. The effective date of the local rule shall be 30 days after publication in the Pennsylvania
10 Bulletin and no earlier than April 1, 2025.

11 BY THE COURT,

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13 MICHAEL A. GEORGE

14 President Judge

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16 Board of Judges/Executive Assistants to the Board of Judges
17 Magisterial District Courts (4)
18 Court Administration
19 Clerk of Courts Office
20 Department of Probation Services
21 Office of the District Attorney
22 Office of the Public Defender
23 Law Library
24 Adams County Bar Association
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