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## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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## **Judiciary Prioritizes Urgent Proceedings for Re-Opening**

**JURORS INSTRUCTED TO MONITOR RECORDING SYSTEM TO REPORT FOR SERVICE**

(Hagåtña, Guam) Recognizing the urgent need to restore court services while ensuring the safety of all participants, the Judiciary will open to the public for limited transactions and urgent proceedings starting at **1:00PM on Tuesday, May 30, 2023.**

Chief Justice Robert J. Torres issued the Administrative Order (ADM23-004) declaring the re-opening. Court employees have been instructed to report to their respective workstations for 8:00AM Tuesday.

*“While power and water services have been restored to our facilities, we recognize that many island residents are still grappling with the aftermath of Typhoon Mawar”* said Chief Justice Torres, emphasizing the court’s awareness of the ongoing challenges faced by the community. *“Our re-opening aims to balance these factors with our obligation to ensure statutory compliance and access to justice.”*

As a result, only limited matters will be scheduled and heard, including magistrate proceedings, jury selections in asserted criminal matters, grand jury proceedings, and preliminary hearings. **All jurors are directed to monitor the jury recording system tonight for important jury instructions.** For any inquiries regarding jury duty, please contact the Judiciary’s Jury Unit at 671-475-3440/3136.

An administrative order outlining the specific list of services and proceedings is forthcoming

For more information about this administrative order and future administrative orders, please contact Ms. Sarah G. Elmore-Hernandez at [sehernandez@guamcourts.gov](mailto:sehernandez@guamcourts.gov).

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