

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
WASHINGTON COUNTY, ILLINOIS

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ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 2020-AO-1

Arthur R. Brown
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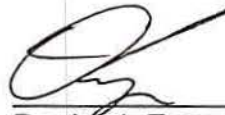
IN RE: COURT OPERATIONS UNDER THE EXIGENT CIRCUMSTANCES
CREATED BY THE COVID-19 VIRUS

Considering the recent outbreak of the COVID-19 virus, recommendations of the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and other public health agencies to limit social contact at gatherings, the following measures are being taken by the Circuit Court of Washington County, for those cases set for the remainder of the week of **March 16, 2020**, the week of **March 23, 2020**, and the week of **March 30, 2020**:

1. All criminal felony (CF) hearings, in which the defendant is not in custody, are to be continued until after the week of March 30, 2020. An Order to continue shall be prepared by the State and will be entered in each case. All hearings in felony cases in which the defendant is in custody will be held as usual;
2. All criminal misdemeanor (CM), driving under the influence (DT), traffic (TR), conservation (CV), and ordinance violation (OV) hearings in which the defendant is not in custody, or in which does not involve a petition to rescind statutory summary suspension, are to be continued until after the week of March 30, 2020. An Order to continue shall be prepared by the State and will be entered in each case. All hearings in any of these cases in which the defendant is in custody, or in which does involve a petition to rescind statutory summary suspension, will be held as usual;
3. All Washington County Drug Court hearings shall continue to take place as directed by the Drug Court Judge;
4. All juvenile delinquency (JD) cases set for adjudication or disposition shall remain set. An Order to continue shall be prepared by the State and will be entered in each case. All other hearings in JD cases shall be continued until after the week of March 30, 2020;

5. All juvenile abuse, neglect, or dependency (JA) cases set for adjudication or disposition shall remain set. An Order to continue shall be prepared by the State and will be entered in each case. All other hearings in JA cases shall be continued until after the week of March 30, 2020;
6. All order of protection and stalking no contact order (OP) cases shall remain set;
7. All other civil case hearings, other than conference call hearings, shall be continued until after the week of March 30, 2020;
8. In any case continued by this Order, any party may request the Court for a hearing within the affected time frame by filing a written motion with the Circuit Clerk. Such settings may be scheduled on a case-by-case basis, in the Court's discretion; and
9. Each party shall receive notice by the Circuit Clerk of rescheduled hearing dates. It is the responsibility of the parties to ensure that their mailing addresses are updated and current with the Circuit Clerk.

Entered this 17 day of March, 2020.



Daniel J. Emge, Circuit Judge