

**STATE OF ILLINOIS**  
**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTY-FIRST CIRCUIT**  
**IROQUOIS COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

**ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2020-10**

WHEREAS, the Judges of the 21<sup>st</sup> Judicial Circuit have been monitoring and responding to the COVID-19 pandemic; the Governor of the State of Illinois issued *COVID-19 Executive Order No. 8* on March 20, 2020, requiring individuals to "stay at home"; the Illinois Supreme Court issued M.R.30370 addressing the speedy trial right of Defendants in criminal proceedings pursuant to 725 ILCS 5/103-5; the Chief Judge of the 21<sup>st</sup> Judicial Circuit entered Administrative Order 2020-05 consistent with the directives and "social distancing" guidelines of the Centers for Disease Control; by Order of the Chief Judge of the 21<sup>st</sup> Judicial Circuit the following policies shall be instituted for all criminal, traffic and juvenile proceedings within the Iroquois County Courthouse:

**ADULT CRIMINAL PROCEEDINGS:**

1. All criminal and traffic trials (both jury and bench) that are scheduled to commence between March 23, 2020 and April 24, 2020 are hereby continued by Order of the Chief Judge. Pursuant to IL Supreme Court Order M.R.30370, any delay shall not be attributable to either the State or the Defendant for purposes of 725 ILCS 5/103-5;
2. All criminal and traffic proceedings that are scheduled to be called for any purpose between March 23, 2020, and April 24, 2020, are hereby continued, except in the case of Statutory Summary Suspension hearings which shall proceed as scheduled;
3. All criminal and traffic trials and proceedings continued pursuant to Paragraphs 1 and 2 above shall be reset by the Court to a date no later than 60 days after March 20, 2020. The scheduled time shall not change, i.e., a case previously scheduled to be called at 9:30 a.m. will remain at 9:30 a.m. on its new date.
4. All continued criminal and traffic trials and proceedings shall be continued for the same purpose as originally scheduled, i.e., matters set for trial remain set for trial on the rescheduled court date; matters set for hearing remain set for hearing, status for status, etc.
5. Emergency motions and bond-related motions in criminal and traffic proceedings shall be filed with at least three (3) days notice and heard on a date and time to be provided by the Clerk of the Circuit Court at the time of filing;
6. Non-Emergency motions in criminal proceedings may be filed at any time but shall not be called for hearing on a date prior to Monday, April 27, 2020.

JUVENILE COURT PROCEEDINGS:

7. All juvenile court delinquency trials for a detained minor that are scheduled to commence between March 23, 2020 and April 24, 2020 shall proceed as scheduled.
8. All juvenile court delinquency proceedings that are scheduled to be called for any purpose other than trial of a detained juvenile between March 23, 2020, and April 24, 2020, are hereby continued, except in the case of a petition seeking detention or release of a minor which shall proceed as the Court may schedule;
9. All juvenile court abuse & neglect proceedings that are scheduled to be called for any purpose between March 23, 2020 and April 24, 2020, are hereby continued, except in the case of shelter care hearings, renewal hearings or a hearing on any emergency motion which shall proceed as the Court may schedule;
10. All juvenile court proceedings continued pursuant to Paragraphs 8 and 9 above will be reset to a date determined by the Court. A case previously scheduled to be called at 9:30am will remain at 9:30am on its new date. Notice of the future court date will be issued to counsel and the parties by the clerk
11. Non-Emergency motions in juvenile court proceedings may be filed at any time but shall not be called for hearing on a date prior to Monday, April 27, 2020 without leave of court.

GENERAL ORDERS:

Any party wishing to bring any criminal, traffic or juvenile matter before the Court for hearing prior to Monday, April 27, 2020 that is not addressed above shall obtain leave of Court in advance of setting/filing same.

This Administrative Order shall remain in effect until Friday, April 24, 2020 unless otherwise amended, terminated or extended by further Order of the Chief Judge.

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:**

**Dated: March 23, 2020**



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**Michael D. Kramer**  
**Chief Judge**