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ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2020-M-23

**Resumption of Court Operations by the Third Judicial Circuit – Alton Facility**

This Order applies to the cases scheduled for hearing at the Alton Courthouse Facility within the Third Judicial Circuit.

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary and appropriate to update prior Administrative Orders, taking access to justice and public safety into account and upon considering guidance received from, but not limited to, the Illinois Supreme Court's May 20, 2020 Order M.R. 30370, *In re: Illinois Courts Response to COVID-19 Emergency*, effective June 1, 2020;

**WHEREFORE**, the undersigned, as Chief Judge of the Third Judicial Circuit, hereby Orders as follows:

Administrative Order 2020-M-21 is hereby RESCINDED. Cases currently set for hearing at the Alton Courthouse Facility on Friday, August 21, 2020, and thereafter, may resume as scheduled.

Individuals, including judges, court staff, parties, attorney, jurors and witnesses, should not enter the Alton Courthouse Facility if they:

1. Are not wearing a mask or face covering;
2. Have new flu-like symptoms including fever, cough, or shortness of breath (excluding such symptoms caused by chronic conditions);
3. Currently have been directed to quarantine or isolate at home by any medical provider or public health official; or
4. Reside or have regular close contact with a person currently subject to a quarantine or isolation direction issued by a medical provider or public health official.

Masks or face coverings should be worn at all times while in the courthouse unless the person is: (1) otherwise instructed by court personnel, (2) under the age of 2, or (3) incapacitated, having trouble breathing, or otherwise unable to remove the mask without assistance.

*The Clerk of the Circuit Court is to notify all parties of record by posting on its website and emailing attorneys and by other appropriate means. This order shall be filed in the Office of the Circuit Clerk of Madison County, Illinois and that said order be made available to the members of the bar and public.*

ENTER: August 19, 2020

  
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William A. Mudge  
Chief Judge