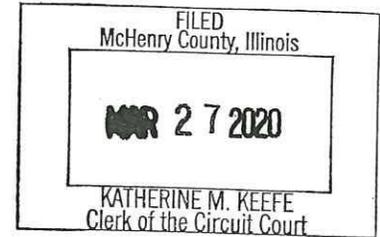


ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 2020-07

22ND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

McHENRY COUNTY, ILLINOIS

Temporary Order – Covid-19



This administrative order is entered pursuant to the authority granted to Chief Judges of each circuit in the State of Illinois by the Illinois Supreme Court in its Order M.R. 30370:

In re:

Illinois Courts Response to

COVID-19 Emergency/

Impact on Trials

Whereas, the Supreme Court has acknowledged the state of emergency declared by the Governor of the State of Illinois in order to prevent the spread of the coronavirus; and

Whereas, the 22nd Judicial Circuit by its Chief Judge recognizes the importance to take all necessary action to protect its judges, staff, potential jurors, case parties, other judicial partners and the general public from the spread of Covid-19; and

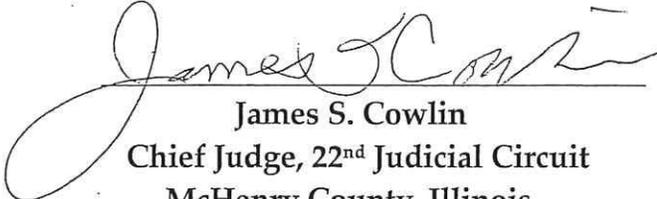
Whereas, the Chief Judge deems it necessary to exercise his authority to continue trials as stated in the Supreme Court Order M.R. 30370; and

Therefore, It Is Hereby Ordered that all cases scheduled for trial through **May 1, 2020** in the 22nd Circuit, McHenry County, Illinois shall be continued to a date certain by the judge assigned to said case. Cases in the civil and family divisions shall utilize remote access procedures as allowed by the judge assigned to the case to obtain a new status or trial date.

It Is Further Ordered in the case of criminal proceedings, any delay resulting from this emergency continuance order shall not be attributable to either the State or the defendant for purposes of section 103-5 of the Code of Criminal Procedure of 1963 (725 ILCS 5/103-5 (West 2018)).

It Is Further Ordered, pursuant to the authority granted to Chief Judges in Supreme Court Order M.R. 30370, trial continuances may be further extended as stated in Order M.R. 30370.

Dated: March 27, 2020


James S. Cowlin
Chief Judge, 22nd Judicial Circuit
McHenry County, Illinois