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COUNTY OF COOK)

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
LAW DIVISION

GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 20-4

Pursuant to the recent “Shelter in Place” orders and Circuit Court General Administrative Order 2020-01(as amended April 3, 2020) COVID 19 Emergency Measures.

In an effort to address the ever changing landscape in the Law Division of the Circuit Court of Cook County caused by COVID-19, and in an effort to best keep cases proceeding to resolution,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

This order supersedes and vacates Law Division GAO’s 20-01, 20-2 and 20-03 and is now controlling

Section 1: Applicable to all sections of the Law Division which include Administrative, Motion, Commercial, Tax and Miscellaneous Remedies and Individual Calendar Sections:

Please note Beginning April 15, 2020 all emergency motions will be heard remotely by telephone or video. There will be no in person hearings on emergency motions.

1.1 Cases Set For Trial:

All cases set for trial between March 17, 2020 and August 14, 2020 shall be reset by this order. Each such case shall be set for trial setting, not for trial, on the day to which it will be reset.

All cases impacted by this order should expect to have a trial date set within 60 days of the trial setting date, assuming normal court operations have resumed.

- Please note that the court will attempt to accommodate any agreement by the parties to maintain the currently scheduled trial date, assuming normal court

operations have resumed.

1.2 Court Dates:

All case management and status dates set by order between March 17, 2020 and May 15, 2020 shall be reset to a date between June 29, 2020 and August 14, 2020. All parties of record will receive electronic or postcard notice of the rescheduled court dates. All rescheduled court dates will be posted on the Clerk of the Circuit Courts electronic docket on or before May 15, 2020. A case management and status date continuance chart based on the current date on the electronic docket will be available in Motion, Commercial, Tax and Miscellaneous Remedies and Individual Calendar Sections on the Chief Judges Website at:

<http://www.cookcountycourt.org/>

- Please note that any party needing relief prior to the next scheduled case management date may file and notice the appropriate motion before their assigned judge after May 18, 2020, assuming normal court operations have resumed.

Excluded from the above are cases set in Courtrooms 2005 & 2006, contested motion status or hearing dates and orders setting cases for pretrial conferences in all sections. This order will not limit an individual judge's discretion when it comes to scheduling specific issues for hearing.

1.3 Discovery:

All discovery deadlines, completion dates, and/or filing dates, currently set by prior case management orders, will be extended to the future case management dates. Notices for future dates will be sent electronically, unless there is no available email address on file. In that event, post-card notice will be sent. This extension does not apply to any briefing schedule orders already entered. The extension is not a moratorium. The extension is additional time to complete discovery during this crisis. The court recognizes the extreme difficulty in conducting discovery during this COVID-19 pandemic. Although difficult, discovery will proceed during this time. It is expected that attorneys will hold themselves to the highest ethical standards during this crisis. Attorneys must advocate for their clients, and, at the same time, work with opposing counsel in a professional manner to move cases forward toward resolution.

If any deposition of a medical professional cannot proceed for reasons allegedly related to COVID-19, the parties should use best efforts to agree to a date and conditions for the deposition. If the parties cannot agree, the matter shall be addressed at the next case management conference or as

an emergency motion before the assigned calendar as noted as referenced in the pertinent section of this order.

Nothing above shall limit a judge's power or discretion in discovery matters.

1.4 Initial Case Management Dates:

All Law Division initial case management dates will be extended from approximately 60 days to approximately 120 days to limit the number of cases being heard on a daily basis. This is intended to substantially reduce the number of cases set for case management from May 18, 2020 through June 26, 2020. This extension will also allow for additional capacity for presentation of motions and for "Social Distancing" if needed. Please note during the extended time allotted for initial case management dates, the parties and counsel are expected to initiate and complete the initial phases of litigation, including obtaining service on defendants, defendants appearing, answering, filing motions addressed to pleadings, and initiation of written discovery.

1.5 Scheduled Motions:

Any motion set between March 17, 2020 and May 15, 2020 that was not set by court order is stricken. Any such motion will need to be renoticed and scheduled when normal court operations resume. Motions set by order may be rescheduled at the discretion of the assigned judge.

Please note that all motions that are presented to the court should be filed electronically with the Clerk of The Circuit Court.

1.6 Emergency Motions:

Beginning April 15, 2020 all emergency motions will be heard remotely by telephone or video. There will be no in person hearings on emergency motions.

Litigants should follow the emergency motion procedures as detailed in the relevant section of this order (Administrative, Motion, Commercial, Individual and Tax & Miscellaneous Remedies). Please note that the only issues that are considered emergencies are those in which irreparable harm will be caused if not addressed immediately. No other emergency motions should be filed. Routine motions are not valid emergency motions.

Section 2 : Administrative Section
Courtrooms 2005 & 2006

2.1 Trial and Trial Setting Dates for Courtroom 2005:

As previously noted in this order all trial dates between March 17, 2020 and August 14, 2020 have been converted to trial setting dates.

All trial setting dates previously set by order in Courtroom 2005 between March 17, 2020 and May 15, 2020 shall be reset in Courtroom 2005 beginning June 8, 2020.

All parties of record will receive electronic or postcard notice of the rescheduled court dates. All rescheduled court dates will be posted on the Clerk of the Circuit Courts Electronic Docket on or before May 15, 2020.

All cases previously set in courtroom 2005 after May 15, 2020 will keep the date and time previously given.

2.2 Trial Setting Dates for Courtroom 2006:

All cases that were set on the Trial Setting call in Courtroom 2006 between March 17, 2020 and May 15, 2020 shall be reset beginning June 8, 2020.

All parties of record will receive electronic or postcard notice of the rescheduled court dates and all rescheduled court dates will be posted on the Clerk of the Circuit Courts Electronic Docket on or before May 15, 2020.

2.3 Emergency Motions: Courtroom 2005:

The only issues that are considered emergencies are those in which irreparable harm will be caused if not addressed immediately. No other emergency motions should be filed.

- Please note that discovery motions should not be presented in Courtroom 2005 and should be presented before the assigned Judge or designated Emergency Judge as detailed in the relevant section of this order.

2.4 Scheduling Emergency Motions:

To schedule an emergency motion in Courtroom 2005 the movant should email Michael

Bradtke, Law Clerk at : Michael.bradtke@cookcountyil.gov and attach a courtesy copy of the emergency motion and a copy of the emergency notice of motion.

The court will review the motion to determine if a valid emergency exists. If it is determined that a valid emergency exists the court will schedule a remote hearing by telephone or video within 24 hours of presentment of the motion.

If the court determines the motion is not a valid emergency, the court will inform the movant and will instruct the movant to notify all parties that the motion will not be heard.

Based upon volume and changes in circumstances, these procedures may change. Any changes will be posted on the Law Division section of the Chief Judges website.

2.5 Notice of Emergency Motions Courtroom 2005:

All emergency motions should be noticed for 11:00 A.M. for remote hearing and should be noticed a minimum of twenty-four (24) hours in advance of presentation, except for good cause shown.

2.6 Routine Motions: Courtroom 2005:

Routine motions include, but are not limited to, Petitions to Appoint a Special Administrator, Presentment of 298 Fee Waiver Petitions, Petitions to File under a Fictitious Name and Petitions to Disburse Funds to a minor who has attained the age of majority.

2.7 Presenting a Routine Motion: Courtroom 2005:

Routine motions shall be emailed to: Michael Bradtke, Law Clerk at Michael.bradtke@cookcountyil.gov with notice provided to all counsel of record.

2.8 Agreed Dismissal and Pre Trial Transfer Orders: Courtroom 2005:

Copies of the agreed order should be emailed to: Michael Bradtke, Law Clerk at Michael.bradtke@cookcountyil.gov

2.9 Contact Information:

Courtroom 2005: (312) 603-6343

Courtroom 2006: (312) 603-5923

Please leave a detailed voicemail message if there is no answer. All calls will be returned as promptly as possible.

Section 3: Motion Section Procedures
Motion Calendars: A, B, C, D, E, F, H, R, X, AND Z

3.1 Discovery Issues:

Discovery depositions may proceed by agreement of the parties, and under such conditions agreed upon by the parties, as dictated by the public health directives, such as telephonic, video conference, and/or other electronic means.

If there is no agreement concerning the taking of any such deposition(s), and/or the conditions for such deposition(s), then the matter will either be:

Continued to the future CMC date, upon resumption of normal court operations;
or b) Presented as an emergency motion before the assigned emergency motion judge but only if the matter is of a time-sensitive nature.

If any objections are raised at any deposition, the objection will be noted for the record, and the testimony will be taken over the objection, in accordance with Supreme Court Rule 206(f). A witness will not be instructed not to answer a question, unless such answer would violate a statutory or common law privilege.

3.2 Emergency Motions:

Emergency motions shall be emailed to the following designated motion judges:

Judge Kathy M. Flanagan	Kathy.flanagan@cookcountyil.gov (Even case #s)
Judge Allen P. Walker	ccc.lawcalendarz@cookcountyil.gov (Odd case #s)

Emergency motions shall include, but not be limited to: adding parties or filing pleadings (e.g., additional party complaints) prior to the expiration of a statute of limitations, orders for preservation of evidence. Motions which do not constitute valid emergencies will be stricken. Motions to extend discovery dates already reset pursuant to Section I, *supra*, do not constitute emergency motions and must not be presented. Notice shall be provided to all counsel of record.

3.3 Routine Motions:

Routine motions shall be emailed to the following designated motions judges:

Judge Kathy M. Flanagan Kathy.flanagan@cookcountyil.gov (Even case #s)
Judge Allen P. Walker ccc.lawcalendarz@cookcountyil.gov (Odd case #s)

Routine motions shall include, but not be limited to: motions for special process servers, substitutions of attorneys, leave to vacate technical defaults, leave to appear, answer, plead, leave to intervene on behalf of a worker's compensation carrier or public body claiming a lien, and fully executed HIPAA orders. Notice shall be provided to all counsel of record.

3.4 Settlement and Dismissal Orders:

Agreed orders for dismissals by settlement, voluntary dismissal (with no dispositive motion[s] pending), agreed motions for good faith finding and dismissal of some (not all) parties, and petitions for approval of settlements shall be emailed to the following designated motion judges:

Judge Kathy M. Flanagan Kathy.flanagan@cookcountyil.gov (Even case #s)
Judge Allen P. Walker ccc.lawcalendarz@cookcountyil.gov (Odd case #s)

All petitions for approval of Wrongful Death, Survival, Minors' and Disabled Persons' settlements **must** comply with the Joint Memorandum on Settlements. Non-compliant petitions will be rejected, but may be resubmitted when required corrections are made.

Return email addresses must be included on all submissions. Notice shall be provided to all counsel of record. If email addresses are not provided, the submissions will not be ruled upon.

3.5 Contested Motions:

Briefing schedule orders may be entered by agreement of counsel for the parties, but only on contested motions which: a) do not require discovery for the ruling; or b) all discovery required for the ruling has already been completed.

The standard briefing schedule shall be 28 days for response, and 21 days for reply, unless otherwise agreed upon by the parties. The agreed briefing schedule orders and the briefs/courtesy copies shall be directly emailed to the assigned motion judges (in accordance with the standing orders of the assigned motion judge) at the following addresses:

Motion Call A: Craig Popper craigpopper00@gmail.com
Motion Call B: Connor Whitting connor.whitting@cookcountyil.gov

Motion Call C:	Ed Samuelson	samuelsone@aol.com
Motion Call D:	Jonathan Huckabay	jonathan.huckabay@cookcountyil.gov
Motion Call E:	Connie Bitter	connie.bitter@cookcountyil.gov
Motion Call F:	Judge Johnson	moira.johnson@cookcountyil.gov
Motion Call H:	Judge Ehrlich	john.ehrlich@cookcountyil.gov
Motion Call R:	Bill Cook	william.cook@cookcountyil.gov
Motion Call X:	Judge O'Brien	brendan.obrien@cookcountyil.gov
Motion Call Z:	Judge Walker	ccc.lawcalendarz@cookcountyil.gov

PLEASE NOTE: All rulings on contested motions will be written rulings/orders. There will be no “hearings” on contested motions until normal court operations resume.

3.6 Pre-Trials:

The following motion judges are available for pre-trials conducted remotely by agreed technological processes, and can be contacted at the following email addresses:

Judge Daniel T. Gillespie	connor.whitting@cookcountyil.gov
Judge Melissa A. Durkin	melissa.durkin@cookcountyil.gov
Judge Patricia O. Sheahan	patricia.sheahan@cookcountyil.gov
Judge Moira N. Johnson	moira.johnson@cookcountyil.gov
Judge Christopher E. Lawler	william.cook@cookcountyil.gov
Judge Brendan A. O'Brien	brendan.obrien@cookcountyil.gov
Judge Allen P. Walker	ccc.lawcalendarz@cookcountyil.gov
Judge Karen L. O'Malley	karen.omalley@cookcountyil.gov

3.7 Information Contact:

Further information and answers to questions regarding these procedures can be obtained by contacting Motion Section Coordinator, Brian Robin, at (312) 813-1457. Voice mail messages will be checked regularly, and returned with the requested information at the earliest possible time.

Section 4: Procedures Applicable to the Commercial Section Calendars I, N, Q, S, T, U, W & Y

4.1 Procedure regarding newly filed motions:

1. The attorneys upon filing will email a file stamped copy of the motion (contested, routine, etc.) to the Calendar's contact individual, either the Court's coordinator or law clerk, listed below.
2. Upon review of the motion the Court will determine if the motion can be addressed summarily (e.g. routine motions and special process server motions) or will require briefing.
3. If the parties wish a briefing schedule the parties should include an agreed order consisting of the standard briefing schedule of 28 and 14 days or an agreed modified schedule. An un-filed agreed briefing schedule order should be sent with the initial motion sent to the coordinator or law clerk.
4. If the court determines it is a matter that does not require briefing, then the court will advise the parties of that determination.
5. The briefing schedule order shall contain a courtesy copy delivery date of 3 court days following the filing of the last brief (usually the reply brief).
6. The movant will provide all the briefs and exhibits to the court via email on the courtesy copy delivery date.
7. The court will provide a ruling or hearing date upon receipt of the full courtesy copy packet.

4.2 Previously-Presented Motions:

For motions as to which the court has already entered a briefing schedule and clerk status, the parties should abide by the set schedule. Respondents on motions must email movant a copy of their briefs and exhibits on the date they file it. On the clerk status date, Movant must email copies of briefs and exhibits to the court's coordinator or law clerk. Please include the following:

1. Subject line of the email should contain the case name, case number, and caption of motion.
2. Movant must carbon copy (cc) all parties to the case on the email.
3. Attachments:
 - a. Briefs should be in Microsoft Word format.
 - b. Exhibits to Briefs may be in Word format or pdf.

4.3 Agreed Orders:

The Court will enter agreed orders provided the following conditions are met:

If all the parties to a case agree that a particular order by the court will be of assistance in moving the proceedings forward (e.g. an agreed protective order), the parties may

email a copy of the proposed order to the email address for the particular Calendar. All parties to the case must be cc'd.

4.4 Emergency Motions:

Any emergency motion must be presented to the Court remotely via telephonic conference call, video conference, Skype, Zoom, or any similar technology or service. Any such motion shall be presented in like manner to other newly filed motions with the following additions:

- a) The Court's coordinator or law clerk will notify the moving party the dates and times when the Court is available to hear the motion remotely.
- b) The moving party shall inform counsel for the non-moving party the Court's available dates and times. The parties shall coordinate a date and time to present the motion to the Court remotely. Once the parties agree on a date and time to present the emergency motion, the moving party shall immediately communicate to the Court through the coordinator or law clerk the date and time selected by the parties. In no event shall the date and time selected be less than 24 hours from when this information is communicated to the Court.

4.5 Discovery:

Parties must be extremely flexible with regard to discovery. Gamesmanship, sharp practice and hard-ball tactics will not be tolerated. Parties should recognize that responses to interrogatories will likely be delayed which may create difficulties in obtaining documents. ***The court will not entertain any discovery related motions that do not document full compliance with both letter and spirit of Supreme Court Rule 201(k).*** The court strongly encourages depositions be postponed or taken by telephonic or remote video means.

4.6 Communication Directed to the Court:

Email is strongly preferred. Emails should be directed to the respective Commercial Calendar contact at the address listed. The email must cc all attorneys and self-represented litigants. If for some reason email is not an option attorneys should phone

the Commercial Calendar Contact individual at the number listed below. Court staff are monitoring the Calendar voice mails.

4.7 Contact Individuals by Calendar:

Judge Margaret A. Brennan - Calendar N – Wanda Fleming at wanda.fleming@cookcountyil.gov or 312-603-4804

Judge Thomas Mulroy, Jr. – Calendar I – Alexis Pavlatos at alexis.pavlatos@cookcountyil.gov or 312-603-5935

Judge Michael Otto – Calendar U – Mark Miller at mark.miller@cookcountyil.gov or 312-603-5941

Judge Daniel Kubasiak – Calendar T- Annette Aponte at annette.aponte@cookcountyil.gov or 312-603-5930

Judge James Snyder – Calendar Y – Patricia Wisniewski at patricia.wisniewski@cookcountyil.gov or 312-603-5818

Judge Jerry Esrig – Calendar S – Marianne Meister at marianne.meister@cookcountyil.gov or 312-603-5915

Judge Patrick Sherlock – Calendar Q - Melissa Robbins at melissa.robbins@cookcountyil.gov or 312-603-5902

Judge Diane Shelley – Calendar W – Daniel Robbin at ccc.lawcalendarw@cookcountyil.gov or 312-603-4001

4.8 Pre Trials:

The following judges are available for pre-trials conducted remotely by agreed technological processes, and can be contacted by the following means:

JUDGE MARGARET BRENNAN margaret.brennan@cookcountyil.gov

JUDGE JERRY ESRIG jerry.esrig@cookcountyil.gov

JUDGE DIANE SHELLEY (312) 603-5940
calendarw@cookcountyil.gov

JUDGE PATRICK SHERLOCK

sherlocksettlementconferences@gmail.com

JUDGE JAMES SNYDER

jim.snyder.chicago@gmail.com

Section 5: Procedures Applicable to the Tax & Miscellaneous Remedies Section Calendars 1, 3 & 5

5.1 Agreed Orders

The Court will enter agreed orders provided the following conditions are met:

- a) All parties of record, or the parties themselves, shall execute their name(s) on the face of the proposed agreed order to evidence their consent to the entry of the order.
- b) On the face of the proposed agreed order, all parties shall include, at a minimum, a mobile phone number and an email address where they may be reached in the event the Court has a question about the proposed agreed order.
- c) On the face of the proposed agreed order, the parties shall list the calendar applicable to that case (*i.e.*, Calendar 1, 3, or 5).
- d) The parties shall send the proposed agreed order and any related correspondence/email message to the Court through Ms. Ann Ostrowski, Coordinator for the Tax & Miscellaneous Remedies Section, at the following email address—
ann.ostrowski@cookcountyil.gov.
- e) Ms. Ostrowski will notify the parties via email after the agreed order has been executed and entered.

5.2 Emergency Motions

Any emergency motion must be presented to the Court remotely via telephonic conference call, video conference, Skype, Zoom, or any similar technology or service. Any such motion shall be presented in the following manner:

- a) After the party files and serves the emergency motion on the non-moving party, the moving party shall send the emergency motion and any supporting material via email to the Court through Ms. Ann Ostrowski at ann.ostrowski@cookcountyil.gov.
- b) The face of the emergency motion and any certificate of service and/or notice of motion shall include: (i) the calendar applicable to that case (*i.e.*, Calendar 1, 3, or 5), (ii) the names of the counsel for each party, and (iii) an email address and cell phone number for each counsel listed.
- c) At the time the moving party serves the non-moving party with the emergency motion, the moving party shall provide the non-moving party with a copy of this Law Division General Order containing these procedures.
- d) Ms. Ostrowski will notify the moving party the dates and times when the Court is available to hear the motion remotely.
- e) The moving party shall inform counsel for the non-moving party the Court's available dates and times. The parties shall coordinate a date and time to present the motion to the Court remotely. Once the parties agree on a date and time to present the emergency motion, the moving party shall immediately communicate to the Court through Ms. Ostrowski the date and time selected by the parties. In no event shall the date and time selected be less than 24 hours from when this information is communicated to the Court through Ms. Ostrowski.
- f) The moving party is responsible for arranging the service for and technical details of the remote telephonic conference and/or video conference facilities (*i.e.*, telephonic call-in service, call-in number, and access code; appropriate video service website address and related access information; etc.). The moving party shall communicate that information to the non-moving party and to the Court.
- g) If the non-moving party desires to submit a response or other material in writing, it shall follow the protocol set forth in item 5.2(a), above.

5.3 A Plaintiff's Motion to Dismiss a Citation and/or a Rule to Show Cause

The Court will enter a proposed order tendered by a plaintiff only to dismiss a citation and/or a rule to show cause. Please follow the protocol set forth in the agreed order section at item 5.1(b), 5.1(c), and 5.1(d), above.

5.4 Routine Motions

The Court will consider orders relating to more routine matters, such as the appointment of a special process server, the issuance of an alias citation to discover assets, or a briefing schedule relating to a pending motion or matter. Please follow the protocol set forth in the agreed order section at item 5.1(b), 5.1(c), and 5.1(d), above.

5.5 Rule to Show Cause and Body Attachment Orders

Until further order of the Court, the Court will not issue any Rule to Show Cause Orders or Body Attachment Orders during the period governed by General Administrative Order 2020-01 (as amended on April 3, 2020) (*i.e.*, until May 18, 2020).

5.6 Resetting of Case Status Dates

All cases that were scheduled for a case status conference between March 17, 2020 and May 15, 2020, will automatically receive a new case status date commencing sometime after May 18, 2020. The parties are advised to check the electronic docket of the Clerk of the Circuit Court for each such case to determine the new continued case status date.

Section 6: Individual Calendar “J” – Judge Ronald Bartkowicz

6.1 Emergency Motions:

Emergency motions shall include, but not be limited to: adding parties or filing pleadings (*e.g.*, additional party complaints) prior to the expiration of a statute of limitations, orders for preservation of evidence. Motions which do not constitute valid emergencies will be stricken. Motions to extend discovery dates already reset pursuant to Section I, *supra*, do not constitute emergency motions and must not be presented. Notice shall be provided to all counsel of record.

6.2 Scheduling Emergency Motions:

To schedule an emergency motion for Individual Calendar “J” the movant should email Diamond Smith, Law Clerk at : diamond.smith@cookcountyil.gov and attach a courtesy copy of the emergency motion and a copy of the emergency notice of motion.

The court will review the motion to determine if a valid emergency exists. If it is determined that a valid emergency exists the court will schedule a remote hearing by telephone or video within 24 hours of presentment of the motion.

If the court determines the motion is not a valid emergency, the court will inform the movant and will instruct the movant to notify all parties that it will not be heard.

6.3 Notice of Emergency Motions:

All emergency motions should be noticed for 10:00 A.M. for remote hearing and should be noticed a minimum of twenty-four (24) hours in advance of presentation, except for good cause shown.

6.4 Routine Motions:

Routine motions shall include, but not be limited to: motions for special process servers, substitutions of attorneys, leave to vacate technical defaults, leave to appear, answer, plead, leave to intervene on behalf of a worker’s compensation carrier or public body claiming a lien, and fully executed HIPAA orders. Notice shall be provided to all counsel of record.

6.5 Presenting a Routine Motion:

Routine motions shall be emailed to: Diamond Smith, Law Clerk at diamond.smith@cookcountyil.gov with notice provided to all counsel of record.

6.6 Agreed Orders:

Copies of the agreed order should be emailed to: Diamond Smith, Law Clerk at diamond.smith@cookcountyil.gov

6.7 Contact Information:

Individual Calendar “J”: (312) 603-6583

Please leave a detailed voicemail message if there is no answer, all calls will be returned as promptly as possible.

Section 7: Trial Section:

7.1 Assigned pursuant to General Administrative Order 16-4 (Random Assignment of Complex Cases):

All cases that had been assigned for trial pursuant to Law Division General Administrative order 16-4 (Random Assignment of Complex Cases for Trial) that had trial dates between March 17, 2020 and August 14, 2020 will have those trial dates converted to trial setting date pursuant to Section 1 of this order (Cases Set For Trial)

Any case in which a mistrial was granted and the case was retained by the originally assigned trial judge and reset for trial between March 17, 2020 and August 14, 2020 will have those trial dates converted to trial setting dates pursuant to Section 1 of this order (Cases Set for Trial)

By virtue of this order, all cases impacted by the above provisions shall have the original assignment converted to an assignment for all purposes including trial to the trial judge originally assigned the case for trial. That assignment for all purposes shall include all discovery matters and the hearing of all motions and the setting of a new trial date.

- Please note that all cases impacted by this order should expect to have a trial date set within 60 days of the trial setting date, assuming normal court operations have resumed as provided in Section 1 of this order (Cases Set For Trial)

The trial judges impacted by this order will be contacting all parties of record on all applicable cases and establishing protocols for remotely addressing all outstanding issues related to each case.

For any additional information relating to the cases impacted by this order email James Maher at james.maher@cookcountyil.gov make sure that all parties of record are copied on any correspondences submitted.

7.2 Pre Trials:

The following judges are available for pre-trials conducted remotely by agreed technological processes, and can be contacted by the following means:

JUDGE MARGARET BRENNAN margaret.brennan@cookcountyil.gov

JUDGE JANET BROSNAHAN janet.brosnahan@cookcountyil.gov

JUDGE ELIZABETH BUDZINSKI (312) 909-5499
embudzinski@gmail.com

JUDGE JOHN CALLAHAN jackcal5@yahoo.com

JUDGE ANN COLLINS-DOLE ann.collins-dole@cookcountyil.gov
(773) 477-3583

JUDGE JOHN CURRY mgmt60000@gmail.com

JUDGE THOMAS DONNELLY Thomas.donnelly@cookcountyil.gov

JUDGE JERRY ESRIG jerry.esrig@cookcountyil.gov

JUDGE EDWARD HARMENING (312) 498-4521
edwardharmening@gmail.com

JUDGE DANIEL LYNCH (312) 603-3388

JUDGE MARCIA MARAS marciamaras78@gmail.com

JUDGE BRIDGET MITCHELL jbridgetmitchell@gmail.com

JUDGE JOAN POWELL (312) 421-6651
joanepowell22@gmail.com

JUDGE LORNA PROPEs (312) 953-0371
judgepropes@gmail.com

JUDGE MARGUERITE QUINN (773) 569-5218

	Judgequinn1610@gmail.com
JUDGE MARY ROBERTS	mary.roberts@cookcountyil.gov
JUDGE ROBERT SENNECHALLE	res7423@aol.com
JUDGE DIANE SHELLEY	(312) 603-5940 calendarw@cookcountyil.gov
JUDGE PATRICK SHERLOCK	sherlocksettlementconferences@gmail.com
JUDGE JAMES SNYDER	jim.snyder.chicago@gmail.com

Section 8: Asbestos Calendar J1

Asbestos Calendar J1 is excluded from this order and has its own controlling Administrative Order.

Section 9: Law Division Cases Pending in Municipal Districts 2,3,4,5 and 6

All Law Division cases pending in the Municipal Districts shall be excluded from this order and shall be controlled by the procedures established by the Presiding Judge of the relevant district

Section 10: Law Division Commercial Arbitration

All cases with Commercial Calendar Mandatory Arbitration hearings that were scheduled for March 17, 2020 through May 15, 2020 will be rescheduled on a case-by-case basis, with new hearing dates beginning on June 4, 2020. The Arbitration Administrator will contact the attorneys/parties of record on each case to work on the agreed date for the arbitration hearing.

ENTERED:

Honorable James P. Flannery
Presiding Judge, Law Division

