

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER No. 2022-05

SUBJECT: Court Operations During Weather Emergency

On the basis of current, active weather alerts by the National Weather Service that are reliably predicting significant and problematic snow accumulation, wind speeds causing blizzard conditions, and extremely low air temperatures and wind chills in Cook County on Friday, December 23, 2022; it appearing that said conditions would significantly threaten the safety and welfare of judges, court system employees, and persons having business with the court; and to ensure that no one is placed in a position of harm in travelling to and from court,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Circuit Court of Cook County will be closed Friday, December 23, 2022, except as provided herein;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that initial bail hearings in the Pretrial Division (also known as bond court) and juvenile court detention hearings will be held according to the court's weekend and holiday schedule;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that cases in the Domestic Violence Division shall be scheduled as follows:

Initial bail hearings shall be conducted by the Pretrial Division on the court's weekend and holiday schedule;

Hearings for civil emergency protective orders (EOP) shall be held from 9:00 p.m.-3:00 a.m. on Friday, December 23, and from 1:00-6:00 p.m. on Saturday, December 24; during this time period, a civil EOP hearing can be requested by visiting Illinois Legal Aid Online at <https://www.illinoislegalaid.org/legal-information/emergency-order-protection-cook-county>;

All existing cases previously scheduled for Friday, December 23, 2022, are rescheduled to Friday, January 6, 2023;

All civil protective orders expiring December 23, 2022, are extended to January 6, 2022; The clerk shall enter this order into the record of each case to which it applies and shall cause the extension of the order to be entered into LEADS and notice of the extended order to be sent to the parties;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that domestic violence advocacy, assistance with after-hours hearings, or information about a criminal order of protection may be obtained from:

Connections for Abused Women and their Children's 24-hour hotline: (773) 278-4566 or Illinois Domestic Violence Hotline in Chicago: 1-877-TO END DV (voice) or 1-877-863-6338 (Voice) or 1-877-863-6339 (TTY)

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, except as provided above, all cases previously scheduled for Friday, December 23, 2022, shall be rescheduled by order of the Presiding Judge of each

division and district of the court, and the circuit clerk shall send notice of the new court dates.

Dated this 21st day of December, 2022, and effective immediately.

ENTER:

ENTERED
JUDGE TIMOTHY EVANS-1592

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IRIS MARTINEZ
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
OF COOK COUNTY, IL
DEPUTY CLERK



Timothy C. Evans
Chief Judge