

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
LAW DIVISION and MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT
SECOND MUNICIPAL DISTRICT - SKOKIE
JUDGE JEFFREY L. WARNICK, ROOMS 202 and 204**

ORDER RE: CIVIL EMERGENCIES AND AGREED ORDERS

Pursuant to the General Administrative Order (GAO) 2020-01 (amended March 30, 2020) issued by Chief Judge Evans and the Administrative Orders 2020-01 and 2020-04 issued by Presiding Judge Sutker-Dermer on March 16, 2020 and April 1, 2020, all civil courts in Skokie are closed through and including May 15, 2020. In further orders entered by Presiding Judge Sutker-Dermer on March 16, 2020 and April 1, 2020, the court continued all law division and municipal cases from March 17, 2020 through and including May 15, 2020 consistent with the above-cited GAOs. However, these orders, though possibly not widely published, did advise litigants that Judge Warnick would entertain emergency motions and agreed orders. Now that Judge Warnick has secured a Virtual Private Network (VPN) with the courthouse and the electronic records of the Clerk of the Court, and has also installed a Zoom application or program for conference meetings, this Court is now capable of entertaining emergency motions as well as agreed orders that arise before the civil courts re-open. However, emergency motions must truly be emergencies or this court will entertain SCR 137 motions during these exigent circumstances.

THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

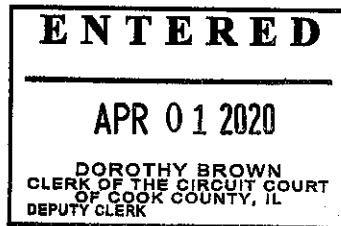
That from this date until further order of court, any agreed orders or routine orders may be faxed to Judge Warnick at (847) 470-7235 or (847) 470-5133 for consideration in any matters pending in Rooms 202 and 204.

Further, as to any emergency motions that may arise for either Room 202 (Warnick) or Room 204 (Allegretti), any movant should e-file any motion and notice of motion to all parties, and then email both notice and motion to Judge Warnick at jeffrey.warnick@cookcountyil.gov. Any e-mail or communication to Judge Warnick must include a copy, cc, or bcc to all opposing counsel and parties if a self-represented litigant. No *ex parte* or private communications will be tolerated in violation of the rules of ethics. If you are not sure it is an emergency, then it is not.

If, you truly have an emergency motion involving public safety, health or otherwise, please notice and file the motion and e-mail Judge Warnick immediately at least 24 hours before the motion is noticed. Presume that no oral argument will be allowed and discuss with opposing counsel or party if they want to respond within 24-48 hours in writing. If oral argument is necessary, please inform the court in the filed written motion or response why this is necessary.

If the court entertains oral argument on said motion or response, both sides must download a "Zoom" account to originate a conference meeting and provide the Court a Zoom ID number to sign into the meeting at the designated date and time. Any questions regarding Zoom accounts can be answered or downloaded at <https://zoom.us/download>. Finally, Judge Warnick does not

get notices of motions or notices via e-filing at the Clerk's office. The only way to notify Judge Warnick or provide emergency courtesy copies is via e-mail at: jeffrey.warnick@cookcountyil.gov.



ENTER:

/s/ Judge Jeffrey Warnick

Judge Jeffrey L. Warnick, 2024