## IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE DIVISION

## **ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2022 – DV – 03**

**RE: MANUAL ASSIGNMENT OF CASES** 

In an effort to promote judicial economy and court efficiency,

## IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

The Office of the Court Clerk may manually assign certain, related civil cases in the Domestic Violence Division as described below.

Generally, the Clerk's Office shall continue its current practice of randomly assigning civil cases to court calendars. However, where there are related cases, that is, where a single Petitioner files multiple cases against multiple parties, or where multiple cases are filed against a single respondent arising from the same dates or incidents, or where parties have filed petitions against one another, the Clerk's Office may manually assign later-filed related case(s) to the same calendar as the first-filed related case, that is, the case assigned the lower case number, during the initializing process.

If the Clerk's Office does not manually assign a related case as described above, the parties may move the court to transfer a later-filed related case to the calendar where an earlier-filed related case is pending.

The Clerk's Office shall resume its current practice of randomly assigning civil cases to court calendars following the manual assignment of any related case(s) as described in this order.

This order is entered on this <u>24th</u> day of <u>February</u>, 2022 and shall be effective, spread of record and published upon its entry.

ENTERED:

Judith Rice

Acting Presiding Judge Domestic Violence Division

Circuit Court of Cook County

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IRIS Y. MARTINEZ CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT