

*STATE OF ILLINOIS
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTY-FIRST CIRCUIT
KANKAKEE COUNTY, ILLINOIS*

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2020-11

TEMPORARY ORDER REGARDING NOTIFICATION OF COURT DATES

WHEREAS, on March 17, 2020, the Illinois Supreme Court issued an Order M.R. 30370 concerning the ongoing threat of COVID-19 in response to the State of Emergency declared by the Governor of the State of Illinois and the Declaration of a National Emergency by the President of the United States; and

WHEREAS, the Order issued by the Illinois Supreme Court authorizes the Illinois courts to establish and periodically update temporary procedures to minimize the impact of COVID-19 on the court system; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Judge of the 21st Judicial Circuit previously issued Administrative Order 2020-08 which limits daily court proceedings to those essential court functions as set forth in the Administrative Order;

WHEREAS, the act of mailing notices of new and rescheduled court dates would place an undue burden of the staff of the Circuit Clerk and could jeopardize the health of case participants;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

Effective immediately, notices of all court dates, either new dates or rescheduled dates, shall be made available by electronic means only. No notices of new or rescheduled dates shall be mailed. Any person involved in a court case shall be responsible for obtaining their court date through the

link to court case information available on the Kankakee County Circuit Clerk's website or directly at: <http://eaccess.k3county.net/eservices>.

This Order shall remain in effect until further Order of Court. The Court shall continue to review and adjust this Order as necessary.

Dated: March 27, 2020

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Michael D. Kramer". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

MICHAEL D. KRAMER
Chief Judge