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## From the Office of the Chief Judge

**To:** FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE  
**From:** Chief Judge Michael D. Kramer  
(815) 937-2915 or (815) 937-3015  
**Date:** 4.30.20  
**Re:** COVID-19 UPDATE



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- **UPDATED ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER ENTERED**
  - **21<sup>ST</sup> JUDICIAL CIRCUIT CONTINUES TO OPERATE UNDER EMERGENCY PROCEDURES**
  - **MASKS NOW REQUIRED INSIDE COURTHOUSE**
  - **SINCERE THANKS EXTENDED TO UNRECOGNIZED WORKERS**

Chief Judge Michael Kramer of the 21<sup>st</sup> Judicial Circuit has extended his previous order limiting activity in the courthouses in Kankakee and Watseka until Monday, June 1, 2020. The previous order was set to expire on May 18, 2020. Both courthouses remain open for emergency matters including Domestic Violence Orders of Protection. The new order requires anyone entering the courthouse to be wearing their own face-covering or mask as required by Governor Pritzker's recent Order.

Judge Kramer expressed sincere appreciation to all the judges, judicial staff, clerks, bailiffs and security officers who have allowed the courthouses to continue to handle emergency matters during the COVID-19 crisis. "These frontline public servants have risked their own health to ensure uninterrupted access to justice in Kankakee and Iroquois counties and deserve our thanks," said Judge Kramer.

For information about court dates for **Kankakee County**, contact your attorney, public defender, or Circuit Clerk at (815) 936-5700, Ext. #1 for criminal and civil cases or Ext. #2 for traffic cases. Please update your

current address for notification of future court dates. Check Courtview (<http://eaccess.k3county.net/eservices/>) for updates of court hearings.

For further information on court dates for **Iroquois County**, contact your attorney, public defender or Circuit Clerk at (815) 432-6950 for criminal and civil cases and please call (815) 432-6952 for traffic cases. Please update your current address for notification of future court dates. Check JUDICI.COM