

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY
COUNTY DEPARTMENT, CHANCERY DIVISION**

GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 2020-03

SUBJECT: COVID-19 MEASURES (2)

This General Administrative Order is entered pursuant to continuing court measures implemented by Chief Judge Evans for the COVID-19 pandemic.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

1. In conjunction with General Administrative Order 2020-01 (amended March 30, 2020) entered by Chief Judge Timothy Evans on March 30, 2020, Chancery Division General Administrative Order 2020-02 issued on March 16, 2020, is hereby extended through May 18, 2020.
2. For all General Chancery and all Mortgage Foreclosure/Mechanics Lien cases, only emergency matters will be heard.
 - a. Definition of "Emergency": Emergency matters are defined as a sudden and unforeseen circumstance that may cause injury, loss of life, or damage to property and that requires an urgent response and remedial action.
 - b. How to Schedule an Emergency Motion: Procedures for scheduling emergency motions in person, by video, or by telephone are set forth in Chancery Division General Administrative Order 2020-02 and that protocol should be followed through May 18, 2020:
 - i. *General Chancery Emergency Motions*:
 1. Walk-in: Litigants or lawyers may enter the Daley Center to schedule an emergency motion. Litigants and lawyers should use the phone on the wall on the 24th Floor to call (312) 603-4181 to speak to chambers' staff. The movant should bring courtesy copies of the emergency motion, the notice of emergency motion, and any relevant filings.
 2. Email: Litigants or lawyers may email rvp.chancery@cookcountyil.gov to schedule an emergency motion with chambers' staff. The movant should attach courtesy copies of the emergency motion and notice of emergency motion and any relevant filings to the email.
 3. Telephone: Litigants or lawyers may contact (312) 603-4181 to schedule an emergency motion with chambers' staff. If the emergency motion is scheduled over the telephone, courtesy copies should be delivered in hard copy or by email at rvp.chancery@cookcountyil.gov according to the directions of chambers' staff.
 - ii. *Mortgage Foreclosure Emergency Motions*:
 1. Walk-in: Litigants or lawyers may enter the Daley Center to schedule an emergency motion. Litigants and lawyers should use the phone on the wall on the 28th Floor to call (312) 603-3900 to speak to chambers' staff.

The movant should bring courtesy copies of the emergency motion, the notice of emergency motion, and any relevant filings.

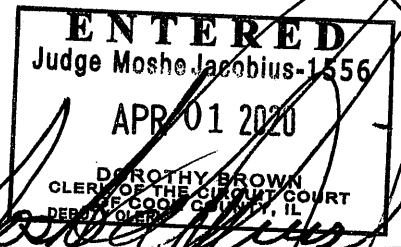
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iii. *Remote Video or Remote Telephonic Emergency Proceedings*: Emergency hearings may be conducted by video or telephone conferencing. For any emergency proceeding scheduled for either General Chancery or Mortgage Foreclosures/Mechanics Lien that will be conducted by video or telephonic conferencing, instructions on connecting to the remote proceeding will be sent to the parties and litigants prior to the hearing date.

3. With respect to mortgage foreclosures, in addition to the above stays and emergency matters, the following parts of a foreclosure action are stayed:
 - a. All foreclosure actions are stayed until May 18, 2020.
 - b. All foreclosure sales are stayed until May 18, 2020. No judicial sales may occur during this period.
 - c. All evictions resulting from foreclosures are stayed until May 18, 2020.

Date: April 1, 2020

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Moshe Jacobius
Presiding Judge
Chancery Division