



IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
DOMESTIC RELATIONS DIVISION

GENERAL ORDER: 2020 D 8

SUBJECT: Parenting Time Guideline in Response to General Administrative Order No. 2020-01

**EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:**

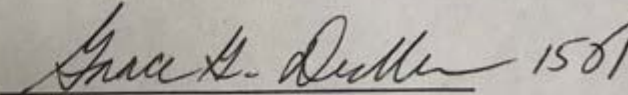
1. This order applies to and clarifies Parenting Time Schedule Orders and Custody Judgments during the current reduction of Court operations from March 17, 2020 to April 16, 2020 pursuant to General Administrative Order No. 2020-01. A parenting order is defined to include any temporary order allocating parenting time between the parties, any Allocation Judgment and any Joint Parenting Agreement.
2. For purposes of determining a person's right to possession of and access to a child under a court-ordered Parenting Time Schedule, the parties' regular parenting time schedule shall control in all instances. Possession and access shall not be affected by the school's closure that arises from an epidemic or pandemic, including what is commonly referred to as the COVID-19 pandemic, and such closure shall not be considered a "day off from school."
3. Unless otherwise directed by further order of Court, the parties shall continue to follow their respective parenting time schedules.
4. Nothing herein prevents parties from altering a possession schedule by agreement if allowed by their court order(s), or courts from modifying their orders. Parties are strongly encouraged to act in the best children of their children and are strongly admonished from taking acts that would imperil the physical health of any child, including unnecessary or discretionary travel.

**If the Chief Judge of the Circuit Court of Cook County chooses to amend the terms of General Administrative Order No. 2020-01, including but not limited to the period of time of reduction of court operations, this General Order is subject to change.**

Dated the \_\_\_\_th day of March 2020. This Order shall be spread upon the records of this Court and published.

ENTERED:

Presiding Judge  
Grace G. Dickler  
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Circuit Court - 1521

  
HON. GRACE G. DICKLER  
Presiding Judge  
Domestic Relations Division