

STATE OF ILLINOIS       )  
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COUNTY OF WILL        )

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWELFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 2020-53  
ASSIGNMENT ORDER

This Order is effective January 4, 2021.

The following Judges are assigned to the following divisions at the times herein indicated:

DIVISION 1: CRIMINAL FELONIES: Circuit Judge David M. Carlson, Presiding

All cases within this division are transferable between the judges assigned without written assignment order by the Chief Judge, and all cases wherein substitutions or recusals may occur will be reassigned by the Presiding Judge without having to be referred to the Chief Judge.

(A): Circuit Judges David M. Carlson (Courtroom 405), Amy M. Bertani-Tomczak (Courtroom 502), Sarah F. Jones (Courtroom 501), Carmen J. Goodman (Courtroom 503), Vincent F. Cornelius (Courtroom 404), Daniel D. Rippy (Courtroom 402), and Associate Judge Edward A. Burmila (Courtroom 801) are assigned to hear Felony Division Court calls. It is contemplated that Judges Bertani-Tomczak, Carlson, Goodman, Jones, Cornelius, and Rippy will each have a regular daily Court call, including motions on cases assigned to them. All Criminal Felony calls shall start at 9:30 a.m., Monday through Friday with the exception of Courtrooms 405 and 801 which shall start at 9:00 a.m. Felony arraignments and preliminary hearings will be heard at 9:00 a.m. in Courtroom 405 Monday through Friday. All Drug Court, Veterans and Servicemembers Court and Adult Redeploy Illinois Court referrals will be referred to Judge Fred Harvey for assignment in Courtroom 401 on dates and times to be determined by Judge Harvey with the approval of the presiding judge. Overflow felony bench and jury trials, pretrial motions, petitions to revoke, forfeitures, housing, expungements, and pleas will be heard as determined by the presiding judge with the approval of the Chief Judge. Domestic violence bench and jury trials, including related pretrial and post-trial matters and motions, except domestic violence cases filed as a lesser charge to one or more additional offenses, will be heard by Judge Burmila (Courtroom 801).

(B): CASES BROUGHT UNDER THE ILLINOIS POST CONVICTION ACT will be brought to the attention of the Presiding Judge of the Criminal Felony Division within twenty-four (24) hours of filing. The Presiding Judge will assign them to the original trial judge or, if that is not possible, to some other judge in the Criminal Felony Division.

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DIVISION 2: CIVIL: Circuit Judge Bobbi N. Petrungaro, Presiding

All cases within this division are transferable between the judges assigned without written assignment order by the Chief Judge, and all cases wherein substitutions or recusals may occur will be reassigned by the Presiding Judge without having to be referred to the Chief Judge and it is contemplated that Judges Petrungaro, O'Leary, Anderson, Powers, Rossi, Allen, Jarz, Rickmon, and Osterberger will be able to substitute for each other on their respective Court calls when one of them is not available without written Assignment Order by the Chief Judge.

(A): CIVIL JURY: Circuit Judges Bobbi N. Petrungaro (Courtroom 117, Will County Court Annex, (Annex), 57 N. Ottawa St., Joliet), Susan T. O'Leary (Annex 227), Michael J. Powers (Courtroom 804), Raymond E. Rossi (Annex 129) and Associate Judges Theodore J. Jarz (Courtroom 803) and Roger D. Rickmon (Annex 201). Judge Powers is assigned to hear pretrial and settlement conferences (Monday through Friday as assigned by Judge Powers) in chambers in the Will County Courthouse. Judge Rickmon is assigned to hear motions on Law Jury cases. All Judges within the Civil Division will hear cases as assigned by the Presiding Judge, including jury, non-jury, eminent domain, probate, condemnation, small claims and foreclosures, at times not to conflict with their set court calls. The Civil Motion call shall begin at 9:00 a.m. Monday through Friday at Annex 201. Judge Petrungaro will assign cases for trial within the division on Friday at 9:00 a.m. and hear motions on Friday at 9:30 a.m. at Annex 117. Jury Trials shall commence at 9:00 a.m. All civil judges including Judge Jarz and Judge Osterberger, will also hear cases as assigned by the Presiding Judge, including jury, non-jury, eminent domain, probate, condemnation, small claims and foreclosures.

(B): LAW NON-JURY OVER \$50,000, CHANCERY, MISCELLANEOUS REMEDY (OTHER THAN FILINGS OF THE RESIDENTS OF THE ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND CASES BROUGHT UNDER THE DOMESTIC VIOLENCE ACT) AND TAX CASES: Circuit Judge John C. Anderson (Annex 236). Motions will be heard at 9:00 a.m. Trials will be scheduled daily at 10:00 a.m. and are to be set on motion. The Court will schedule pretrial settlement conferences daily at 10:00 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. and at such other times that are available.

Mortgage Foreclosure cases will be heard by Associate Judge Theodore J. Jarz (Courtroom 803) and scheduled as follows:

All mortgage foreclosure cases brought by Manley, Deas, and Kochalski, LLC will be heard on Mondays at 9:00 a.m. All mortgage foreclosure cases brought by Pierce and Associates, Shapiro, Kreisman & Associates, LLC and Ira Nevel and Associates will be heard on Tuesdays at 9:00 a.m. All mortgage foreclosures brought by Codilis and Associates will be heard on Wednesdays at 1:00 p.m. All mortgage foreclosures brought by Heavener, Scott, Beyers, & Mihlar, LLC, Hauselman, Rappin & Olswang, Ltd., and Law Office of Russell C. Wirbicki, will be heard on Thursdays at 9:00 a.m. All mortgage foreclosures brought by Freedman, Anselmo, Lindberg, LLC will be heard on Fridays at 9:00 a.m.

All cases not otherwise assigned shall be heard on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays at 9:00 a.m. or on Wednesdays at 1:00 p.m. Case setting maximums and other scheduling limitations are at the discretion of the Presiding Judge with the approval of the Chief Judge.

(C): ARBITRATION (ARBITRATION ELIGIBLE CIVIL FILINGS BETWEEN \$10,000 AND \$50,000): Circuit Judge Bobbi N. Petrungaro (Annex 117) is assigned Supervising Judge of Arbitration and shall hear all matters relating to Mandatory Arbitration in Courtroom 117 at 9:00 a.m.

(D): PROBATE, ADOPTION, TRUANCY AND DRUG COURT: Circuit Judge J. Jeffrey Allen (Courtroom 1001). The Probate call will be heard Monday through Friday at 9:30 a.m. Hearings and pretrials will be heard Monday through Thursday at 1:30 p.m.

(E): MENTAL HEALTH HEARINGS: Civil hearings to be heard by Associate Judge Frederick V. Harvey. Cases set for status are held Thursday at 9:00 a.m. in Courtroom 401. Hearings are held on Friday at 9:00 a.m. at Presence St. Joseph Medical Center or Silver Cross Hospital. Criminal hearings to be heard by Associate Judge Frederick V. Harvey at the Joliet Treatment Center on days and times to be determined by the Chief Judge.

(F): SMALL CLAIMS (ALL SUPPLEMENTAL CIVIL PROCEEDINGS, i.e., WAGE DEDUCTIONS, GARNISHMENTS, ETC.): Associate Judge Domenica A. Osterberger (Courtroom 1002). Small Claims shall start at 9:00 a.m., Monday through Friday. Motions shall be heard at 10:30 a.m., Monday through Friday. Trials shall be heard at 1:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. All returns in Forcible Entry & Detainer cases are returnable at 9:00 a.m., Monday through Friday, and set for trial as determined by Judge Osterberger. All citations, wage deductions, garnishments, or post judgment proceedings brought by Harris Law Group, LLP, or Arnold Scott Harris, PC will be heard on the second and third Tuesday of each month at 9:00 a.m., not to exceed one-hundred (100) cases per day.

(G): PRETRIAL/SETTLEMENT CONFERENCE CALL: Circuit Judge Michael J. Powers shall hear pretrials and settlement conferences at 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 1:30 p.m., and 2:30 p.m. on Mondays through Thursdays and at 10:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. on Fridays at a location to be determined by Judge Powers in the Will County Courthouse. Scheduling for said pretrials and settlement conferences will be set with the clerk in such places within the courthouse facilities as determined by Judge Powers with the approval of the Chief Judge.

DIVISION 3: JUVENILE DELINQUENCY/JUVENILE ABUSE AND NEGLECT CASES, ADOPTION, TRUANCY, GUARDIANSHIPS AND JUVENILE DRUG COURT: Circuit Judge Paula A. Gomora, Presiding (Courtroom 1, River Valley). Juvenile Court shall start at 9:00 a.m., Monday through Friday. Abuse/Neglect Permanency Review Hearings will be heard at 11:00 a.m., Monday through Friday. Delinquency and Abuse/Neglect trials will be set at 1:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Associate Judge John Pavich (Courtroom 2, River Valley): Guardianship cases shall start at 9:00 a.m. Adoptions shall be heard every Monday at 1:30 p.m. Truancies will be heard on the third Monday of each month at 2:30 p.m. Juvenile Drug Court will be heard on the first Wednesday of each month at 3:00 p.m.

All conflict attorneys practicing in the Juvenile Division of the Public Defender's office shall be present before Judge Gomora daily. All cases on this call are transferable between Judges Gomora and Pavich without written Assignment Order by the Chief Judge.

DIVISION 4: MISDEMEANOR JURY CALL, BUILDING CODE ENFORCEMENT AND HOUSING COURT AND MENTAL HEALTH COURT  
Associate Judge Bennett J. Braun, Presiding.

All cases within this division are transferable between the judges assigned without written assignment order by the Chief Judge, and all cases wherein substitutions or recusals may occur will be reassigned by the Presiding Judge without having to be referred to the Chief Judge.

(A): Associate Judge Bennett J. Braun (Courtroom 301), Associate Judges Art Smigielski (Courtroom 302), Victoria R. Breslan (Courtroom 303), and Matthew G. Bertani (Courtroom 304) shall hear all state prosecution hearings and proceedings relating to all misdemeanors and alcohol-related traffic violations, aggravated traffic offenses (including driving while license revoked, driving while license suspended, reckless driving, fleeing and eluding, and leaving the scene of an accident), and summary suspension cases. Associate Judge Kenneth Zelazo (Courtroom 201) will hear all municipal prosecutions for such cases. As soon as practicable, all post disposition status cases shall be moved from Courtroom 202 to their courtrooms of origination. The morning calls shall commence at 9:00 a.m. and the afternoon calls at 1:30 p.m. Domestic violence and violations of Orders of Protection, bench and jury trials, including related pretrial and post-trial matters and motions, will be heard by Associate Judge Edward A. Burmila (Courtroom 801).

Tickets for said violations and any traffic violations written as misdemeanor offenses wherein an officer gives a return date shall be made returnable in the following fashion:

If the last name of the defendant begins with A through E of the alphabet, they shall be returnable to Courtroom 303 at 9:00 a.m. If the last name of the defendant begins with F through K of the alphabet, they shall be returnable to Courtroom 302 at 9:00 a.m. If the last name of the defendant begins with L through Q of the alphabet, they shall be returnable to Courtroom 301 at 9:00 a.m. If the last name of the defendant begins with R through Z of the alphabet, they shall be returnable to Courtroom 304 at 9:00 a.m.

(B): MISDEMEANOR NON JURY ARRAIGNMENTS IN MISDEMEANORS, BOND COURT, (FELONY FIRST APPEARANCE PRIOR TO INDICTMENT OR INFORMATION), AND FELONY PRELIMINARY HEARINGS: Associate Judge Brian E. Barrett (Courtroom 202). This call shall commence at 9:00 a.m. In addition, bond returns and custody bond settings shall be heard in Courtroom 202 at the 1:30 p.m. call.

The City of Joliet Housing Call and the Will County Zoning Building Code Enforcement call shall be heard on the second and fourth Tuesday of the month at 1:30 p.m. in courtroom 403 and by a judge as determined by the presiding judge.

Mental Health Court shall be heard on by Judge Frederick V. Harvey in courtroom 401 on dates and times as determined by Judge Harvey with the approval of the Chief Judge.

(C): BRANCH COURTS SCHEDULE: Associate Judge Jessica Colon-Sayre. On days when Branch Court is not in session, the Judge will be assigned on an as needed basis, including divorce prove-ups.

(D): TRAFFIC: Associate Judge Chrystel L. Gavlin (Courtroom 101). Regular traffic calls shall commence at 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. daily. Pay due matters and motions will be heard Monday through Friday at 10:00 a.m. Overweight and other commercial traffic violation cases will be heard on the third Tuesday of each month at 1:00 p.m. Will County Collection cases will be heard on the fourth Friday of each month at 1:00 p.m.

(E): FILINGS OF INCARCERATED INDIVIDUALS, INCLUDING RESIDENTS OF THE ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS, INCLUDING MANDAMUS, HABEAS CORPUS, MISCELLANEOUS REMEDY AND LAW CASES: Associate Judge Brian E. Barrett (Courtroom 202). The filings of incarcerated individuals, including residents of the Illinois Department of Corrections call shall take place at 10:30 a.m. on the fourth Thursday of the month and at 10:30 a.m. on the second Friday of the month.

(F): CIVIL ASSET FORFEITURES: This court call shall be heard in courtroom 403 by a judge as determined by the presiding judge with the approval of the Chief Judge. This call will be heard on the following dates: January 13, January 27, February 10, February 24, March 10, March 24, April 14, April 28, May 12, May 26, June 9, June 23, July 14, July 28, August 11, August 25, September 8, September 22, October 13, October 27, November 10, November 24, December 8 and December 22. For return purposes, all returns should be made to Courtroom 403. Civil asset forfeiture jury trials will be held in Courtroom 403.

DIVISION 5: FAMILY: Circuit Judge David Garcia, Presiding

All cases within this division are transferable between the judges assigned without written assignment order by the Chief Judge, and all cases wherein substitutions or recusals may occur will be reassigned by the Presiding Judge without having to be referred to the Chief Judge.

(A): DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE, DECLARATION OF INVALIDITY OF MARRIAGE, CHILD CUSTODY PROCEEDINGS AND ALL POST DECREE MATTERS ARISING FROM THE ABOVE CASES: Circuit Judge David Garcia (Courtroom 702), and Associate Judges Dinah L. Archambeault (Courtroom 701), Elizabeth Hoskins Dow (Courtroom 704), Derek W. Ewanic (Courtroom 705), and Victoria M. Kennison (Courtroom 703).

Motions, case management conferences, status calls, prove-ups, grounds hearings, status hearings and contested pre and post decree motions shall be heard Monday through Friday mornings. Trials involving remaining issues, custody, visitation, removals and post decree matters requiring extended testimony shall be heard at 1:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday. Pretrials shall be heard at 1:30 p.m. on Friday and at such other times as are scheduled by the Court.

(B): PATERNITY, NON-SUPPORT AND RELATED MATTERS PROSECUTED BY THE ILLINOIS ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE: Associate Judge Raymond A. Nash (Courtroom 601) and Associate Judge Cory D. Lund (Courtroom 602) will hear the Attorney General Support Enforcement calls on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday at 9:00 a.m. in Courtrooms 601 and 602. All files will be assigned at the direction of the Family Division Presiding Judge.

Motions, case management conferences, status calls, status hearings and contested motions shall be heard Monday through Friday at 9:00 a.m.

(C): STATE'S ATTORNEY SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT CALL: Associate Judge Cory D. Lund (Courtroom 602) will hear the State's Attorney Support Enforcement call on Wednesday at 9:00 a.m. in Courtroom 602.

Motions, case management conferences, status calls, status hearings and contested motions shall be heard Wednesday at 9:00 a.m.

(D): ORDERS OF PROTECTION: Associate Judge M. Thomas Carney (Courtroom 603) will hear Emergency Orders of Protection at all times when Court is in session. Plenary Orders and extensions of Emergency Orders will be heard Monday through Friday at 9:00 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. All files will be assigned at the direction of the Family Division Presiding Judge. It is understood that persons may apply for Orders of Protection at any time that Court is in session.


(E): FAMILY MATTERS ORIGINATING FROM THE ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS: Associate Judge Raymond A. Nash (Courtroom 601) shall hear filings for dissolution of marriage by residents of the Illinois Department of Corrections.

FLOATER: Associate Judge Donald W. DeWilkins

FLOATER: Circuit Judge Richard C. Schoenstedt

DATED THIS 17 DAY OF Dec., 2020.

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DANIEL L. KENNEDY, CHIEF JUDGE

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