## SIXTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

Effective November 30, 2020

IN THE MATTER OF COVID-19

JUVENILE DIVISION PROCEDURES

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SUPPLEMENTAL ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER – JUVENILE DIVISION

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WHEREAS, the Coronavirus pandemic is ongoing and confirmed cases are increasing in number, and in order to protect the health and safety of the general public, circuit court judges and circuit court employees, and consistent with orders and guidelines of the Illinois Supreme Court, General Orders of the Chief Judge of the 16<sup>th</sup> Circuit, and pursuant to Illinois Supreme Court Rule 21(b) and the Court's inherent authority; and

WHEREAS, the Supreme Court of Illinois entered Order M.R. 30370 on May 20, 2020, authorizing each Circuit Court to return to hearing court matters, whether in person or remotely, according to the schedule to be adopted for each county by the Chief Judge of each Circuit; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of all of the above-named parties and individuals to limit the number of people in the Kane County Courthouse and the Juvenile Justice Center in each of the individual courtrooms to as few as needed to accomplish critical tasks; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Judge of the 16<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit and Presiding Judge of the Juvenile Division have determined that additional temporary restrictions are necessary at this time; and

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the following temporary procedures will apply to all cases assigned to the Juvenile Division:

- 1. Unless otherwise specifically authorized to appear in court by the presiding judge, ALL in person appearances by attorneys, litigants, and witnesses are suspended effective November 30, 2020 and will not recommence until February 1, 2021. Attorneys, litigants and witnesses appearing for court between the dates of November 30, 2020 and January 31, 2021 are expected to appear remotely via the Zoom application during that time period. Zoom meeting information may be obtained by attorneys and named litigants by emailing juveniledivision@16thcircuit.illinoiscourts.gov; or regarding abuse/neglect and delinquency cases by contacting the Kane County State's Attorney's Office.
- 2. Judges will be available to hear emergency matters as required. Emergency matters must be approved for scheduling by the presiding judge after consultation with the trial judge. Attorneys must contact the assigned judge by email at <a href="mailto:juveniledivision@16thcircuit.illinoiscourts.gov">juveniledivision@16thcircuit.illinoiscourts.gov</a>. The email must set forth the emergency in detail. The assigned judge will respond after consulting with the presiding judge.

- 3. Effective November 30, 2020 all documents that are not submitted to the Court through Live Cycle must be able to be signed via DocuSign.
- 4. Effective February 1, 2021, hybrid appearances (in person/remote) shall recommence.
- 5. To the extent that it does not conflict with this Supplemental Order, the terms of the Administrative Order effective May 4, 2020 remains in full force and effect.

Entered this 18th day of November, 2020

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Kathryn D. Karayannis Presiding Judge, Juvenile Division