## 16<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit County of Kane

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## Re: Temporary Courtroom Assignments (CR001, CR111, CR113, CR201, CR211)

Family Division Attorneys,

As previously discussed, the procedures relating to the Covid -19 adjustments for emergency matters at the KCJC remain an ongoing and fluid process. Effective Monday, March 23, 2020, and in the interest of reducing the overall number of persons entering into the KCJC on a daily basis, the Family Division Judges will be going on a week by week rotating schedule in Courtroom 101 as follows:

3/23/20-3/27/20	Judge Cruz
3/30/20-4/3/20	Judge Downs
4/6/20-4/10/20	Judge Yetter
4/13/20-4/17/20	Judge Flood

Additionally, all Felony and Misdemeanor matters will be heard in Courtroom 319 and Bond Calls and Emergency Orders of Protection/Stalking/No Contact Petitions (absent an existing F or D Case) shall be heard in Courtroom 005. The Third Street Courthouse will remain closed until at least 4/17/20.

All previous communicated protocol remain in effect as the Family Division Judges will continue to accept proposed Agreed Orders, be available to hold remote conferences as well as enter Final Judgments where appropriate.

Please continue to use the Family Division email (<u>FamilyDivision@16thCircuit.IllinoisCourts.gov</u>) for your communications. Pro Se Litigants should use this email as well.

You may also email specific Judges directly however, please DO NOT copy your clients or pro se litigants on any emails sent directly to a Judge.

We will continue to seek ways to improve the methods by which we can continue to serve the needs of the Bar and your clients during this time. Additionally, we are open to suggestions as well.

Once again, it is our hope that the above protocols will allow counsel to move cases towards resolution while allowing your clients to focus on the health, safety and well-being of their families.

Please refer any questions to the above email address.