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**KENDALL COUNTY STATE'S ATTORNEY'S OFFICE COVID-19**  
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In light of the ongoing concerns surrounding the COVID-19 virus, Kendall County State's Attorney, Eric Weis, recognizes the imperative need to balance the continuing and effective administration of criminal justice against the efforts to protect society from community spread of the COVID-19 virus. The Kendall County State's Attorney's Office will continue to operate in conjunction with, and in a manner consistent with the directives of the 23rd Judicial Circuit (See <https://www.co.kendall.il.us/home/showdocument?id=8628>, and any subsequent 23rd Judicial Circuit orders or press releases). All continuing operations will move forward cautiously with staff implementing best practices to minimize exposure and community spread.

For the foreseeable future, State's Attorney's Office will operate under the following guidelines:

- Most non-essential court proceedings will be continued to a date after April 17, 2020.
- Notices of continuances will be mailed to the address(es) on record with the Kendall County Circuit Clerk.
- All child support enforcement matters will be continued to a date after April 17, 2020.
- Category 1 & 2 Essential Function cases will be handled as required.
- During normal working hours, staff will continue to be available to assist with mental health involuntary admissions and orders of protection/protective orders in addition to general criminal prosecution issues.
- Limited person to person contact will be enacted pursuant to CDC guidelines.
- Information will be updated on the Kendall County website and on Facebook as soon as practical to keep the public informed.

- The following essential function proceedings will continue to be held pursuant to Kendall County General Order 20-02:

**Category I Essential Functions**

- Criminal Trials with Speedy Trial Concerns
- Criminal Hearings for Defendants who are in custody, including bail hearings, arraignments or preliminary hearings, and bail review hearings
- Issuance and recall of Warrants
- Juvenile Detention Hearings
- Juvenile Shelter Care Hearings
- Issuance of Orders of Protection and hearings

**Category II Essential Functions**

- Criminal Felony Trials for Defendants who are not in custody and serious Criminal Misdemeanor Cases
- Temporary Restraining Orders and Preliminary Injunctions
- Involuntary Examination, Involuntary Commitment, Emergency Medical treatment, including potential Social Distancing and Quarantine Proceedings
- Juvenile Abuse and Neglect Hearings
- Mental Health Hearings and Commitments

To assist in the efficiency of this process and to ensure you receive all requisite notices, please confirm your address is correct as maintained by the Kendall County Circuit Clerk. You may submit an updated address online if needed. If you have questions or concerns about your specific case, please feel free to contact your attorney, the State's Attorney's Office (scheduling only) at (630)553-4157, or the Kendall County Circuit Clerk's Office at (630) 553-4183.

The State's Attorney's Office remains in continual communication with the Chief Judge of the 23rd Judicial Circuit, Kendall County Administration, the Kendall County Health Department, local law enforcement, and all other appropriate entities. The policies and guidelines set forth herein will be modified, as necessary, and the State's Attorney's Office will make all efforts to keep the public apprised of any changes.