

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF ANDREW COUNTY
and BUCHANAN COUNTY MISSOURI**

In Re: COVID-19

ORDER

WHEREAS the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention have declared that the outbreak of COVID-19 is a worldwide pandemic, and the Governor of the State of Missouri has, accordingly, declared a state of emergency;

WHEREAS the Missouri Supreme Court has instructed courts in this state to “prepare for potential infection in their community”;

WHEREAS the Missouri Supreme Court has directed its courts to “consider strategies to prevent the spread of respiratory germs into, within, and between facilities.”

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, that effective Tuesday, March 17, 2020, until further order of this Court, that the following persons shall not enter the Andrew or Buchanan County Courthouses, or any of their Municipal Divisions:

- Persons who have been asked to self-quarantine by any doctor, hospital or health agency;
- Persons who have tested positive, been diagnosed with, or have had contact with, anyone who has been diagnosed with COVID-19; and
- Persons with fevers, or unexplained coughs or shortness of breath.

Anyone attempting to enter in violation of these protocols will be denied entry and removed from the Courthouse by Court Security.

Any attorney or party shall immediately notify opposing counsel and the court if they reasonably suspect that a participant in any proceeding authorized by this Court's Administrative Order may come within any of the above listed categories.

If you have a scheduled appointment or you are otherwise required to appear at one of the offices or divisions of these courthouses in Andrew or Buchanan County Missouri, and you are unable to appear because of the restrictions listed above, you should proceed as follows:

- If you are represented by an attorney, please contact your attorney;
- In Andrew County, if you are unrepresented and are scheduled to appear in Court,

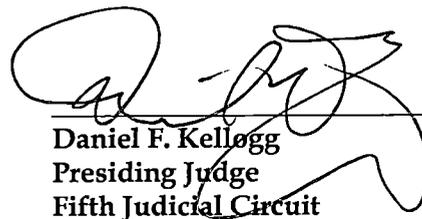
please call (816) 324-3921. Please have your case number, court date, and court division available when you call;

- In Buchanan County, if you are unrepresented and are scheduled to appear in State Court, please call (816) 271-1462, and request to speak with the Division Clerk. Please have your case number, court date, and court division available when you call;
- For City of St. Joseph Municipal Court cases, please call (816) 271-4686. Please have your case number and court date available when you call;
- If you need information about the status of your case, please consult Case.net or call the numbers listed above;
- If you are a prospective Juror in Buchanan County, please contact the Jury Commissioner at (816) 271-1552;
- For Andrew County, if you are seeking an Order of Protection regarding adult/child abuse, please call (816) 324-3921;
- For Buchanan County, if you are seeking an Order of Protection regarding adult/child abuse, please call (816) 271-1462;
- For Andrew County Prosecuting Attorney matters, please call (816) 324-3535;
- For Buchanan County Prosecuting Attorney matters, please call (816) 271-1480;
- For Andrew County Public Defender matters, please call (660) 582-3545;
- For Buchanan County Public Defender matters, please call (816) 387-2026;
- For Andrew County Sheriff matters, please call (816) 324-4114;
- For Buchanan County Sheriff matters, please call (816) 236-8800.

For safety reasons, these restrictions will remain in place until further order of this Court. *Those individuals who think that they may have been exposed to COVID-19 should contact their healthcare provider immediately.*

IT IS SO ORDERED.

March 16, 2020


Daniel F. Kellogg
Presiding Judge
Fifth Judicial Circuit