

**IN THE MISSOURI COURT OF APPEALS,
WESTERN DISTRICT
STATE OF MISSOURI**

In Re: COVID-19

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

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 Supreme Court of Missouri recently issued an order effective immediately regarding “precautionary measures to combat the spread of the disease to the public and the employees of the Missouri judiciary”; and

WHEREAS, the Supreme Court’s precautionary measures include prohibiting access to court premises for individuals who have been exposed to or are exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, effective Wednesday, March 18, 2020, and until further order of this Court, that the following persons shall not enter the Missouri Court of Appeals, Western District:

- Persons who have traveled to any foreign country within the last 14 days;
- Persons who reside or have had close contact with someone who has travelled to any foreign country within the last 14 days;
- Persons who have been asked to self-quarantine by any doctor, hospital, or health agency;
- Persons who have been diagnosed with, or have had contact with, anyone who has been diagnosed with COVID-19; and
- Persons with unexplained fever, cough, or shortness of breath.

Anyone attempting to enter the Missouri Court of Appeals, Western District, in violation of this Administrative Order will be denied entry by a Court Security Officer. Individuals who are not authorized to enter the Missouri Court of Appeals, Western District, because of the restrictions listed above are provided the following contact information to have remote access to the administration of justice:

1. If you are represented by an attorney, please contact your attorney.
2. For information about the status of your case, please check Case.net or call the Clerk’s office at (816) 889-3600.
3. If you need to file a pleading with the Court, you may file the pleading via facsimile at (816) 889-3668 or via email in Word or PDF format at wdcoa@courts.mo.gov.

These restrictions will remain in place until further notice. If you believe that you may have been exposed to COVID-19, contact your healthcare provider immediately.

If you have any questions as to this Administrative Order, please contact the Clerk of the Court, Susan Sonnenberg, at 816-889-3600

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: March 18, 2020



Karen King Mitchell, Chief Judge