



MEMORANDUM

Date: **March 25, 2020**

To: **Attorneys & parties with cases in Lake Circuit Court**

From: **Lake Circuit Judge, Hon. Marissa McDermott**

Please be advised that Lake Circuit Court is continuing to operate during the Covid-19 pandemic subject to the following:

Per the authority given by the Supreme Court's March 13th order, court dates have been continued on a case-by-case basis. Check Odyssey to see if any particular court date has been continued.

The court may opt to go forward with certain hearings remotely, or in-person, depending on circumstances. Again, that is determined on a case-by-case basis.

As of March 20, 2020, the Lake Circuit Court offices in Crown Point, Indiana will be staffed with one judicial officer and limited staffing from 9am-1pm, or later as needed, Mon-Fri (excluding holidays).

During those hours, you may reach court personnel at their usual phone numbers. If you have difficulty reaching someone, or do not already have a number for the office you need to reach, call Circuit's main phone number: 219-755-3488 ext. 2.

Lake Circuit Court judicial officers and staff will continue to process e-filings, although current clerk and court staffing limitations may result in some delays.

Lake Circuit Court is striving to balance the need to serve the public with the need to protect employees, litigants, and attorneys. Thank you for your patience, understanding, and cooperation.

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