

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE TWENTY-THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

GENERAL ORDER 20 - 21

<p><i>In re the 2020 Calendar Year Holiday Observance Schedule</i></p>	<p>FILED JUL 30 2020 ROBYN INGEMUNSON CIRCUIT CLERK KENDALL CO.</p>
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WHEREAS, the Supreme Court of the State of Illinois previously issued its Order setting forth the dates for the observance of certain holidays in the 2020 calendar year; and

WHEREAS, this court entered General Order 19-3 on June 5, 2019 setting forth the dates on which the courts would be closed in observance of certain holidays in the 2020 calendar year; and

WHEREAS, the General Assembly of the State of Illinois has enacted Public Act 101-642 which has been signed by the Governor of the State of Illinois, declaring November 3, 2020 to be a State Holiday; and

WHEREAS, the Supreme Court of the State of Illinois on June 17, 2020 amended its prior order setting forth the dates on which certain holidays will be observed in 2020 to include Tuesday, November 3, 2020, being the 2020 General Election Holiday; and

WHEREAS, the Supreme Court Order of June 17, 2020 provides that in the event the court facilities in a circuit are to remain open on one or more of the holidays, the chief circuit judge in which that situation occurs, may disregard the listed holiday and declare the court open on that day; and

WHEREAS, after consulting with the other circuit judges and county officials in the Twenty-Third Judicial Circuit; recognizing that the courthouses in said Circuit are not polling places and thus pose no greater threat to the health and safety of the citizens of the Twenty-Third Judicial Circuit, courthouse personnel or others; nor will the operation of the courts create any undue hardship for individuals exercising their right to vote; and

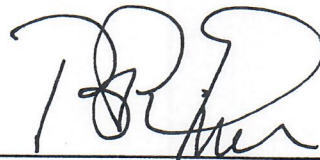
WHEREAS, in addition to regular court operations there is also a need for judges and other courthouse personnel to be available in the event of election issues which require immediate attention; and

WHEREAS, the closure of the court facilities would necessitate a closing of other county offices, whose employees assist the County Clerks with the election process, thereby imposing an additional financial burden on the counties for those employees to be available for the election process; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the authority granted in said Order of the Illinois Supreme Court, Illinois Supreme Court Rule 21(b), and the inherent authority of the Court;

IT IS ORDERED that the court facilities in the Twenty-Third Judicial Circuit shall remain open for business on Tuesday, November 3, 2020.

Enter: July 30, 2020.



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Hon. Robert P. Pilmer  
CHIEF JUDGE