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Milwaukee County Circuit Court extends cancellations, procedural changes due to COVID-19 precautions (March 23, 2020)

On March 22, 2020, the Wisconsin Supreme Court issued two Administrative Orders, one postponing all civil and criminal jury trials statewide through May 22, 2020, and the second order provides that, subject to certain exceptions, all proceedings in the courts of this state are to be conducted via remote audio-video technology if practicable. District One Chief Judge Mary Triggiano announced that the cancellations and procedural changes in effect for the Milwaukee County Circuit Court are extended through May 15, 2020. Jury service also remains suspended through May 22, 2020. The Milwaukee County Circuit Court is operational but service is significantly reduced to mitigate the spread of COVID-19. “The protection of the general public, our stakeholders, and our court staff is the most important action I can take,” said Triggiano. At this time of significant uncertainty under this global public health pandemic, every protection will be put in place to ensure that the Court performs its essential functions and operations. Please do not come to the downtown courthouse or the Vel Phillips Youth and Family Justice Center if you are sick. You should refer to the Milwaukee County Circuit Court website: <https://county.milwaukee.gov/EN/Courts> or call (414) 278-4190 prior to any attempt to physically access the courthouses.

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