

STATE OF ILLINOIS  
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 17<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
COUNTY OF BOONE  
COUNTY OF WINNEBAGO


**ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2020-9**  
**TEMPORARY ORDER - COVID-19 Procedures Criminal Division and Juvenile Division**

Effective immediately until April 20, 2020, the following procedures are being implemented in connection with all Winnebago and Boone County criminal cases and juvenile cases:

- A. In light of the COVID-19 virus concerns, and in conformity with recommendations of public health professionals, Criminal and Juvenile Courts will be restricting their activity to only essential and time-sensitive matters. This order is in effect until April 20, 2020, unless otherwise extended.
  
- B. The draw-down of criminal and juvenile court dates will be managed individually by the judge in each courtroom. Defendants' presence will be readily excused in proceedings until April 20, 2020. Attorneys and litigants are encouraged to work with each other and the judge presiding in the applicable courtroom to continue all non-essential matters to a date falling after May 17, 2020, the latter date being chosen to give the court maximum flexibility in the event this order must be extended.

This order remains in effect until further order of the court. The court will continue to review and adjust this order as is necessary.

ENTER: \_\_\_\_\_

  
Eugene G. Doherty, Chief Judge

DATED: \_\_\_\_\_

3/17/20