

24th Judicial District Court

Parish of Jefferson

State of Louisiana

ORDER 2020 – 005

Acting in accordance with Louisiana Constitution Article V, Section 1; pursuant to LSA RS. 1:55; due to the COVID-19 emergency as detailed in Governor John Bel Edwards's Declarations of Public Health Emergency (Executive Department Proclamation No. JBE 2020-25, JBE 2020-27, JBE 2020-30, JBE 2020-33, and JBE 2020-37), Jefferson Parish President Cynthia Lee Sheng's Declaration of State of Emergency (Proclamation No. 01 CLS 2020; Jefferson Parish CB 3434 Page 979), and the Louisiana Supreme Court's Orders (on March 16, 2020, March 20, 2020, and March 23, 2020), and in accordance with the inherent powers of this court, the Chief Judge, acting on behalf of the Judges of the 24th Judicial District Court, HEREBY ORDERS THAT:

1.

The period of closure for the 24th Judicial District Court is hereby extended until 8:00 am on Monday, May 4, 2020. Those with criminal matters set during this closure are ordered to report to the assigned division on or before June 1, 2020 to secure a new court date. Those with civil matters set during the closure are ordered to contact the division clerk for further instructions on or after May 4, 2020.

2.

Any and all preliminary or permanent injunctions, protective orders, temporary restraining orders, ex parte protective orders, and/or criminal stay away orders issued pursuant to R.S. 9:361 et seq., R.S. 9:372, R.S. 46:1846, R.S. 46:2131 et seq., R.S. 46:2151, R.S. 46:2171 et seq., R.S. 46:2181 et seq., Children's Code Article 1564 et seq., Code of Civil Procedure Articles 3604 and/or 3607.1, and/or Code of Criminal Procedure Articles 30, 320, and/or 871.1 which have been issued by this Court and which would expire on or between the dates of March 13, 2020 and April 30, 2020 are hereby EXTENDED until at least 4:30 p.m. on June 1, 2020.

3.

The Clerk of Court is hereby ordered to transmit a copy of this Order to counsel of record for each individual and each pro se litigant subject to any above-referenced preliminary or permanent injunction, protective order, temporary restraining order, ex parte protective order, and/or criminal stay away order in any case affected by this Order along with a notion of the case title and case number of each case affected by this Order. Counsel of record are then hereby ordered to expeditiously transmit a copy of this Order to each of their clients who are affected by this Order.

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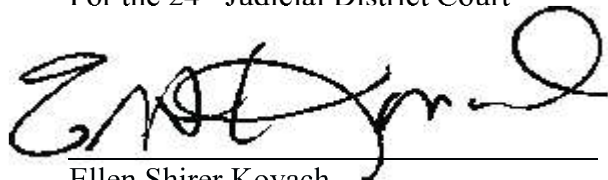
The District Attorney and/or any other party to any case affected by this Order may move that the individual(s) subject to any above-referenced preliminary or permanent injunction, protective order, temporary restraining order, ex parte protective order, and/or criminal stay away order in any case affected by this Order be served with this Order by any method of service provided for by law.

5.

This Order is retroactive to the date of this Court's Order of March 13, 2020. This Court's March 13, 2020 Order, this Court's March 16, 2020 Order, this Court's March 23, 2020 Order, and any and all other Orders issued by this Court in response to the COVID-19 pandemic shall remain in full effect except to the extent that such Orders are in conflict with this Order. Adjustments to this order, if necessary, will be posted on the Court's website (www.24jdc.us), the Louisiana Supreme Court website (www.lasc.org), and in the news media.

Gretna, Louisiana this 31st day of March, 2020.

For the 24th Judicial District Court

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'E. Shirer Kovach', written over a horizontal line.

Ellen Shirer Kovach
Chief Judge