



**ORLEANS PARISH JUVENILE COURT
STATE OF LOUISIANA**

ORDER OF CLOSURE

Pursuant to the provisions of R.S. 1:55, Ranord J. Darensburg, Judicial Administrator of the Orleans Parish Juvenile Court has requested the closure of the offices of the Orleans Parish Juvenile Court for the date of Friday, August 11, 2017 due to an emergency situation arising from rain conditions on Saturday, August 5, 2017 which caused flooding. As a result, water collected in Section A courtroom and resulted in damage to electrical conduits. The same rain conditions resulted in continuous rain water coming through the ceiling in Section B causing the ceiling to be compromised. OPJC has been advised by Courtney Bagneris of the City of New Orleans that the electricity will need to be turned off in Section B. All of the above mentioned situations resulting from the continuous rain situations have not been resolved.

These situations in the judgment of the Judicial Administrator renders it hazardous or otherwise unsafe for employees of the Court to continue the performance of their duties or for the general public to conduct business with the Court. Under these circumstance and due to this situation, public access to Orleans Parish Juvenile Court will be dangerous and the access to records difficult.

Acting in accordance with the LA. Const. Art. V, Subsection I, and the inherent power of this Court;
IT IS HEREBY ORDER THAT:

Due to the above mentioned situations resulting from rain to the sections of court and the uncertainties of the extent of the impact that ongoing hazardous weather may have on the New Orleans area, the Orleans Parish Juvenile Court, Parish of Orleans, State of Louisiana and the Orleans Parish Juvenile Clerk of Court's office shall be closed on Friday, August 11, 2017 and will re-open on Monday, August 14, 2017 at 8:30a.m.

This closure shall be considered a legal holiday in accordance with LSA R.S. 1:55.

NEW ORLEANS LA, THIS 10th DAY OF AUGUST 2017.

CANDICE BATES ANDERSON, CHIEF JUDGE