

**FIFTH CIRCUIT**  
**COURT OF APPEAL**  
**STATE OF LOUISIANA**

**IN RE: EMERGENCY COURT CLOSURE UPDATE**

**ORDER**

**WHEREAS**, the Governor of Louisiana in his [Proclamation 41 JBE 2020](#) of April 2, 2020 did extend the emergency provisions of [Proclamation 30 JBE 2020](#) until April 30, 2020,

Acting in accordance with La. Constitution Article V, Section 1, the inherent power of this Court, and in accordance with the COVID-19 Response Plan adopted by the Judges of this Court on March 12, 2020,

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeal courthouse building shall remain closed through April 30, 2020 and reopen on May 1, 2020 unless conditions warrant an earlier or later reopening date, at which time an updated order shall be issued.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that to the extent prior Orders of this Court conflict herewith, this Order supersedes all previous conflicting provisions; and all provisions not in conflict herewith remain in effect.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that in accordance with the Governor's [Proclamation 41 JBE 2020](#), all deadlines in this Court are suspended until at least April 30, 2020. For purposes of computing the timeliness of filings, this period of suspension shall be considered a legal holiday; and therefore, pleadings otherwise due in this Court during this legal holiday shall be deemed timely if filed on or before April 30, 2020.

Gretna, Louisiana, this 3rd day of April, 2020.

**SMC**

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Chief Judge Susan M. Chehardy