STATE OF ILLINOIS FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT AMENDED AMINISTRATIVE ORDER

EFFECTIVE_JULY 1, 2024

Pursuant to the authority granted to the Chief Judge by Article VI, Section 7(c) of the Constitution of the State of Illinois, the judicial assignments in the Fourth Judicial Circuit for the period from July 1, 2024, until further order of the Chief Judge, are as follows:

CHRISTIAN COUNTY

All criminal and traffic matters; and	JUDGE BRADLEY PAISLEY
Problem Solving Court.	(Headquarters – Taylorville)
All civil and juvenile matters.	JUDGE CHRISTOPHER HANTLA
	(Headquarters – Hillsboro)

CLAY COUNTY

All matters (Monday, Wednesday &	JUDGE JOEL POWLESS
Friday).	(Headquarters – Louisville)

CLINTON COUNTY

All matters (Monday, Wednesday &	JUDGE DOUGLAS GRUENKE
Friday).	(Headquarters – Carlyle)
All matters (Tuesday); all matters not	JUDGE STANLEY BRANDMEYER
assigned to Judge Sanders (Thursday).	(Headquarters – Carlyle)
All juvenile matters; and Problem Solving	JUDGE ERICKA SANDERS
Court (Thursday afternoon).	(Headquarters – Salem)

EFFINGHAM COUNTY

All criminal, traffic, and juvenile matters	JUDGE ALLAN LOLIE
(Monday through Thursday).	(Headquarters – Shelbyville)
All civil matters (Monday through Friday);	JUDGE JEFFREY DELONG
and all bond and compliance hearings	(Headquarters – Effingham)
(Friday).	
Problem Solving Court (Friday).	JUDGE ERICKA SANDERS
	(Headquarters – Salem)

FAYETTE COUNTY

All criminal and traffic matters, and	JUDGE CHAD MILLER
Problem Solving Court (Monday, Tuesday,	(Headquarters – Newton)
Wednesday & Friday).	
All civil matters (Monday through	JUDGE JOSHUA MORRISON
Wednesday).	(Headquarters – Vandalia)
All juvenile matters (Thursday).	JUDGE MARTIN SIEMER
	(Headquarters - Effingham)

JASPER COUNTY

All matters (Tuesday & Thursday).	JUDGE KEVIN PARKER
	(Headquarters – Newton)

MARION COUNTY

All criminal and traffic matters; and	JUDGE MARK STEDELIN
Problem Solving Court.	(Headquarters –Salem)
All civil matters.	JUDGE J. MARC KELLY
	(Headquarters – Vandalia)
All juvenile matters (Monday &	JUDGE ERICKA SANDERS
Wednesday).	(Headquarters – Salem)

MONTGOMERY COUNTY

All criminal and traffic matters; and	JUDGE CHRISTOPHER MATOUSH
Problem Solving Court.	(Headquarters – Hillsboro)
All civil and juvenile matters.	JUDGE NATHAN FRISCH
	(Headquarters – Taylorville)

SHELBY COUNTY

All matters (Monday through Thursday).	JUDGE BRYAN KIBLER
	(Headquarters – Effingham)
All matters; and Problem Solving Court	JUDGE ALLAN LOLIE
(Friday).	(Headquarters – Shelbyville)

ADDITIONAL ASSIGNMENTS

- 1) Circuit Judge Amanda Ade-Harlow, Circuit Judge Stanley Brandmeyer (Monday, Wednesday, Friday), Circuit Judge Douglas Jarman, Circuit Judge Bryan Kibler (Friday), Circuit Judge Chad Miller (Thursday), Circuit Judge Joshua Morrison (Thursday, Friday), Circuit Judge Kevin Parker (Monday, Wednesday, Friday), Circuit Judge Joel Powless (Tuesday, Thursday), Circuit Judge Martin Siemer (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday), Associate Judge Douglas Gruenke (Tuesday, Thursday), and Associate Judge Ericka Sanders (Tuesday) will be assigned by the Chief Judge's Office. All other Circuit and Associate Judges will be subject to special assignment as ordered by the Chief Judge's Office.
- 2) The Chief Judge's Office will make a Judge available to cover any Judge's assignment when that Judge is on vacation.
- 3) The Chief Judge's Office will make a Judge available to cover daily calls when a Judge is conducting a jury trial, except for Christian County, which will be scheduled for one-daily judge settings during civil jury trial weeks (five per year); Fayette County, which will be scheduled for one-daily judge settings during all jury trial weeks; and Montgomery County, which will be scheduled for one-daily judge settings during civil jury trial weeks.

- 4) No Judge will be available to cover in the event a Judge goes to a seminar. In such instances, the Judge shall clear his or her calendar for that particular day or days. If a Judge takes any committee or teaching assignments or any other job related activity, they must first obtain approval for coverage from the Chief Judge's Office before accepting the position.
- 5) A Judge who has a conflict with a particular case assigned to him or her pursuant to this Administrative Order shall make arrangements with another Judge assigned to hear matters in the county in question to hear the conflict case. The Judge with the conflict shall hear the other Judge's cases while that Judge hears the conflict case. If there are no other Judges assigned to the county in question who can hear the conflict case, the Chief Judge's Office shall be contacted for the issuance of an Assignment Order assigning a Judge from outside the county in question to hear the conflict case.
- 6) If a Judge not regularly assigned in a particular county is specially assigned to hear a conflict case in that county, the Judge who had the initial conflict shall make himself or herself available for assignment by the Chief Judge's Office during the time the conflict case is being heard.
- 7) All Judges, and the reporters assigned to them, shall promptly notify the Chief Judge's Office of their availability for special assignment whenever their daily or trial matters are continued, settled or otherwise delayed.
- 8) The Judge hearing criminal jury trials in each county will be responsible for impaneling the Grand Jury and Grand Jury proceedings. The Judge hearing daily criminal matters is designated to hear all criminal expungement proceedings.
- 9) No cases shall be set that will run past the hour of 11:00 a.m. on Friday, July 12, 2024; and Friday, October 11, 2024, so that all Judges may attend a regularly scheduled judges' meeting on those dates.

DATED: April 4, 2024

Douglas L. Jarman, Chief Judge