

# United States Court of Appeals

For the Seventh Circuit

Chicago, Illinois 60604

## ORDER regarding COVID-19

Because of the emergency conditions presented by the COVID-19 virus, including the declaration of a public health emergency by the Governor of the State of Illinois; the precautions needed to reduce the possibility of exposure to the virus and slow the spread of the disease, as determined by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; and the decision by the Governor to close Illinois's schools state-wide,

It is hereby ORDERED that:

1) The United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit shall activate its Continuity of Operations Plan to maintain emergency operations for the Court of Appeals until the termination of this Order;

2) In accordance with the applicable leave regulations and guidelines, all employees of the United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit who, after consultation with their supervisors, are deemed unable to telework, are hereby on administrative leave from March 18, 2020, through the termination of this Order. Employees who telework must regularly report to their supervisors during the operation of this Order for direction and guidance on work.

For the Court:



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Chief Judge

Dated at Chicago, Illinois, this 18<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2020