

TEMPORARY EMERGENCY ORDER

The Trempealeau County Circuit Court is issuing this Order in response to the COVID-19 health crisis. On March 13, 2020, Governor Tony Evers declared a public health emergency in Wisconsin. The court will continue to monitor this situation and will remain committed to protecting the health and safety of anyone participating in the legal process while continuing to maintain an open, public and efficient court system. This Order shall be in effect from March 18, 2020 until May 15, 2020, or until further Order of the Court.

GENERAL PRINCIPLES:

- A. All cases currently scheduled will remain on the court's calendar if parties agree to some form of non-personal appearance AND the court approves of the manner of the non-personal appearance at least 24 hours in advance. For court approval, please call 715-538-1813.
- B. In cases where parties do not agree to a non-personal appearance the matter shall be rescheduled to a date after May 15, 2020,
UNLESS the scheduled matter is statutorily or legally required to be held prior to May 15, 2020. Such cases shall remain on the court's calendar. The parties need to contact the court at 715-538-1813 to verify the personal appearance at least 24 hours prior to the scheduled event.
- C. All criminal matters including preliminary hearings, plea and sentencing hearings are encouraged to be conducted by telephonic or video means, if the defendant consents.
- D. All appearances before the Family Court Commissioner shall be held telephonically. If a party requests a personal appearance, the matter will be rescheduled to a date after May 15, 2020.
- E. Treatment Court participants shall appear as scheduled by telephone. The existing testing procedure shall be followed without interruption.

Dated at Whitehall, Wisconsin this 18th day of March, 2020.



Rian W. Radtke
Circuit Court Judge

STATE OF WISCONSIN

CIRCUIT COURT

TREMPEALEAU COUNTY

EXTENSION OF TEMPORARY EMERGENCY ORDER

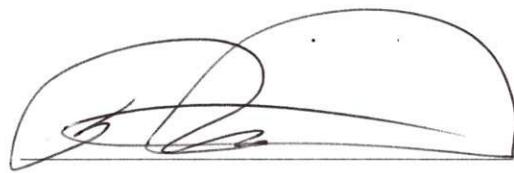
On March 18, 2020, the Trempealeau County Circuit Court issued a Temporary Emergency Order in response to the COVID-19 health crisis, and such order is in effect through May 15, 2020.

Since the original filing of the court's Temporary Emergency Order, the Wisconsin Supreme Court has made certain orders suspending circuit court in-person proceedings, with some exceptions, that remain in effect until further order of the Wisconsin Supreme Court. The Wisconsin Supreme Court has also ordered that all civil and criminal jury trials scheduled through May 22, 2020 be rescheduled. See the Wisconsin Supreme Court Orders for further details.

In light of the indefinite length of the Wisconsin Supreme Court's order suspending in-person proceedings; also in light of the necessary and critical efforts to minimize the risk of spreading the COVID-19 virus; and due to the uncertainties of the ongoing health crisis caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, the Trempealeau County Circuit Court is extending its current Temporary Emergency Order indefinitely and removing any end date for the restrictions related to in-person proceedings, until further order of the court.

In-person proceedings, not otherwise specifically allowed, shall be scheduled to a date in the future, but may need to be rescheduled depending on the current status of this court's Temporary Emergency Order and any Wisconsin Supreme Court Orders relating to in-person proceedings.

Dated at Whitehall, Wisconsin this 11th day of May, 2020.



Rian W. Radtke
Circuit Court Judge