



Dearborn Circuit Court

Dearborn Superior Court I

Dearborn Superior Court II

165 Mary Street, Lawrenceburg, IN 47025

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### **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

The Dearborn County Circuit and Superior Courts are acting to protect the health and safety of our community to mitigate the spread of the virus while maintaining essential and urgent court operations in this declared state of emergency.

The **Courts will remain open**. However, **all non-urgent hearings are being rescheduled**. Hearings for defendants in custody, detained juveniles, and emergency CHINS (child in need of services); domestic violence matters; and other emergency matters will be held.

The Courts will conduct any non-evidentiary hearings telephonically whenever possible. The Courts' e-filing system will remain in effect for processing motions and requests. There will be accommodations for those filing paperwork to use a drop off box or mail. The Clerk will be taking child support payments by check or money order only (no cash), during this time and those can be sent by U.S. mail or a drop-off box at the Courthouse.

Please call the individual Courts if you have questions about your case or need to reschedule. Do not come to the Courthouse if you have had any contact with the virus, have the virus or a fever, or are at high risk. Generally, only the actual self-represented litigant or attorney will be allowed in the courtroom during this public health emergency. There may be changes and we will keep the public updated as quickly as possible. ***Remember, this is a temporary situation, and the Courts will work to restore full operations as soon as possible. Thank you for your patience.***