

**IN THE 20th JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COURT
STATE OF MISSOURI**

In Re: COVID-19

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

WHEREAS the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention have declared that the outbreak of COVID-19 is a worldwide pandemic, and the President of the United States and the Governor of Missouri have, accordingly, declared a state of emergency;

WHEREAS the Missouri Supreme Court has instructed courts in this state to “prepare for potential infection in their community”;

WHEREAS the Missouri Supreme Court has directed its courts to “consider strategies to prevent the spread of respiratory germs into, within, and between facilities.”

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, that effective Monday, March 16, 2020, until further order of this Court, that the following persons shall not enter the Franklin, Gasconade or Osage County Courthouses, or any of its Divisions in Franklin, Gasconade or Osage Counties:

- Persons who have traveled to any foreign country within the last 14 days;
- Persons who reside or have had close contact with someone who has traveled to any foreign country within the last 14 days;
- Persons who have been asked to self-quarantine by any doctor, hospital or health agency;
- Persons who have tested positive, been diagnosed with, or have had contact with, anyone who has been diagnosed with COVID-19; and
- Persons with fevers, or unexplained coughs or shortness of breath.

Anyone attempting to enter in violation of these protocols will be denied entry and removed from the Courthouse by Court Security.

Any attorney or party shall immediately notify opposing counsel and the court if they reasonably suspect that a participant in any proceeding authorized by the Supreme Court’s Order may come within any of the above listed categories.

If you have a scheduled appointment or you are otherwise required to appear at one of the offices or divisions of the courthouse in Franklin, Gasconade or Osage County Missouri, and you are unable to appear because of the restrictions listed above, you should proceed as follows:

- If you are represented by an attorney, please contact your attorney;

- If you need information about the status of your case, please consult Casenet or contact the Circuit Clerk's Office. In Franklin County call (636) 583-7365 for criminal cases or (636) 583-7366 for civil cases. In Gasconade County call (573) 486-2632 and in Osage County call (573) 897-3114;
- If you are seeking an Order of Protection regarding adult/child abuse, please contact (636) 583-7366 in Franklin Co., (573) 486-2632 in Gasconade Co. or (573) 897-3114;
- If you are scheduled to meet with a Probation Officer, please contact the Probation Office at (636) 583-8933 for Franklin or Gasconade County or (573) 522-3575 for Osage Co.;
- For Franklin County Prosecuting Attorney matters, please contact the Franklin County Prosecuting Attorney at (636) 583-6370, for Gasconade County Prosecuting Attorney matters, please contact the Gasconade County Prosecuting Attorney at (537) 486-2173, for Osage County Prosecuting Attorney matters, please contact the Osage County Prosecuting Attorney at (573) 897-3101 ;
- For Franklin, Gasconade or Osage County Public Defender matters, please contact the Missouri Public Defender at (636) 583-5197;
- For Franklin County Sheriff matters, please call the Sheriff's main line at (636) 583-2560, for Gasconade County Sheriff matters, please call (573) 486-2424, for Osage County Sheriff matters, please call (573) 897-3107.

For safety reasons, these restrictions will remain in place until further order of this Court. Those individuals who think that they may have been exposed to COVID-19 should contact their healthcare provider immediately.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

March 16, 2020


 J.I. Lamke
 Presiding Judge