## SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT (CHAMPAIGN, MACON, DEWITT, PIATT, MOULTRIE, DOUGLAS)

## **ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2020 – 06**

## **EMERGENCY ORDER - COVID - 19**

## **Effective Immediately**

**WHEREAS**, various orders of the Illinois Supreme Court, President Trump, and Governor Pritzker have been entered in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, as referenced in Administrative Orders 2020-01-2020-05;

WHEREAS, on April 23, 2020, Governor Pritzker announced that he would extend the state disaster proclamation and stay-at-home order through May 31, 2020;

WHEREAS, Chief Judge Karle Koritz has determined that the 6<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit Administrative Order 2020-01 and prior orders continuing trials should be extended for the protection of courthouse staff and the public in conformity with federal and state orders and guidelines;

**THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** with respect to all courthouses within the 6<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit:

- 1. All provisions of Administrative Order 2020-01 are extended through May 31, 2020.
- 2. Pursuant to Illinois Supreme Court Order M.R. 30370, all jury trials are continued to no earlier than June 15, 2020.
- 3. Pursuant to Illinois Supreme Court Order M.R. 30370, criminal and juvenile delinquency bench trials are continued to no earlier than June 15, 2020. Such bench trials may proceed prior to June 15, 2020 only upon written request of the respective Presiding Judge with written approval from the Chief Judge.

This Order is effective immediately.

Entered this 30<sup>th</sup> day of April 2020.

Karle Koritz, Chief Judge Sixth Judicial Circuit