

DAVIDSON COUNTY CHANCERY COURT, PART I
CHANCELLOR PATRICIA HEAD MOSKAL
GENERAL INFORMATION -- Updated through April 30, 2020

The Tennessee Supreme Court issued Order No. ADM2020-00428 on March 13, 2020, *In re: COVID-19 Pandemic*, Order Suspending In-Person Court Proceedings through March 31, 2020. In a supplemental Order issued on March 25, 2020, the Supreme Court continued the suspension of in-court proceedings through **April 30, 2020**. Copies of the Orders are posted on the Davidson County Clerk & Master's website for your reference at <https://chanceryclerkandmaster.nashville.gov/>

All state and local courts are open and will remain open, subject to the provisions of the Supreme Court's Orders.

Chancellor Moskale provides the following general information regarding matters pending in Chancery Court, Part I, which is subject to change pending further guidance:

Trials: Trials scheduled through April 30, 2020 are continued and will be rescheduled.

Name Change Hearings: Name Changes are postponed and will be scheduled at a later date.

Motions and Other Hearings through April 30, 2020: The Court intends to use telephone and video conferencing for all other motions and hearings. Motions on the response dockets, status conferences, and final hearings in administrative appeals will be conducted by telephone or video conference call. Dial-in information will be provided to participants prior to the hearing date.

Parties may agree to have any pending motion decided on the papers by filing a written notice with the Court reflecting your agreement. Please also notify Ms. Julie Spencer, Part I Calendar Clerk, at juliespencer@jjs.nashville.org.

Please be advised that any requests for an "in-person hearing" in Part I will not be scheduled until after April 30, 2020, at the earliest, and subject to further orders by the Supreme Court or this Court.

Applications for Extraordinary Relief: Applications for temporary restraining orders will be considered only on the papers. Hearings on applications for temporary injunctions will be conducted by telephone or video conferencing based on affidavits and declarations and may be scheduled by contacting the Part I Calendar Clerk.

E-filing or Fax Filing are encouraged. Paper filings are being accepted through use of a drop box located outside the Clerk & Master's office.

Questions: If you have questions or concerns regarding these general procedures, please contact Ms. Julie Spencer, the Part I Calendar Clerk, at (615) 862-5718, to arrange for a telephone conference call with the Court.

Thank you for your cooperation and patience as we focus our efforts on protecting the health and safety of our community.