

**THE ELEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA**

**CASE NO. 20-1
(Court Administration)**

**ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
NO. 20-08**

**IN RE: COVID-19 EMERGENCY
PROCEDURES AND FURTHER
SUSPENSION OF TIME PERIODS SET
FORTH IN ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
NOS. 20-04 AND 20-05 IN THE
ELEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF
FLORIDA**

WHEREAS, the Supreme Court of Florida has issued several administrative orders implementing temporary measures essential to the administration of justice during the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on April 6, 2020, the Supreme Court of Florida issued Administrative Order No. AOSC20-23, to extend, refine, and strengthen the previously enacted temporary measures and to further suspend time periods to mitigate the effects of the current public health emergency on the judicial branch and its participants; and

WHEREAS, since the COVID-19 pandemic continues to have a massive effect upon the operations of the Eleventh Judicial Circuit Court system and the lives of the residents of Miami-Dade County, it is necessary to extend the temporary measures implemented in Administrative Order No. 20-04 and 20-05.

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority vested in me as Chief Judge of the Eleventh Judicial Circuit of Florida, pursuant to Rule 2.215, Florida Rules of Judicial Administration, it is hereby **ORDERED**:

1. Except for court proceedings and events that can be effectively conducted remotely without the necessity of in-person appearance, all non-emergency court proceedings, including, but not limited to, special set hearings, trials¹, and all calendars, including,

¹ Except those trials authorized by Administrative Order No. 20-02 A1, Eleventh Judicial Circuit Court.

but not limited to, motions, pretrial motions, foreclosures, writs of possession, uncontested divorces, and case management conferences, will continue to be postponed through close of business on Friday, May 29, 2020.

2. All time limits set by judicial order and/or authorized by rule and statute applicable to civil (inclusive of circuit and county), family, domestic violence, dependency, probate, small claims, traffic, bond forfeiture, and appellate proceedings are further suspended until the close of business on Monday, June 1, 2020.
3. The suspension of time periods above restores additional days equal to the number stated in Administrative Order Nos. 20-03, 20-04 and this Order. The suspension period began the close of business on Friday, March 13, 2020 and is extended through the close of business on Monday, June 1, 2020. Any deadlines falling within that time period shall be extended eighty (80) days from the original deadline.

Except as otherwise amended herein, all terms and provisions set forth in Administrative Orders Nos. 20-04 and 20-05 remain in effect.

DONE AND ORDERED in Chambers in Miami-Dade County, Florida, this 7th day of April, 2020.

**BERTILA SOTO, CHIEF JUDGE
ELEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA**