

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTY-FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
KANKAKEE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

STANDING ORDER FOR CASES ASSIGNED TO JUDGE ALBRECHT
DURING COVID 19 PANDEMIC

Effective May 18, 2020 and continuing until modified by this court, non-evidentiary hearings in all cases assigned to Judge Albrecht will be heard via Zoom. The Circuit Clerk will notify all litigants of the meeting information. The notice will also include a phone number for those litigants who are not able to access video conference technology to call into the hearing. The clerk will use the pleadings in each case to obtain the email address of the litigants. Litigants are reminded that email addresses are required by Rule 11.

In order to provide public access, the hearings will be live streamed to the internet over YouTube. RECORDING OF THE YOUTUBE LIVESTREAM IS STRICTLY PROHIBITED. There will be a court reporter monitoring the hearing, and rules of courtroom decorum will be strictly enforced. All participants should mute their microphone except when they are called upon to speak. Any side conversations must take place outside of main Zoom meeting.

Because of the additional demands of the technology on the court and clerk, it is especially important that the parties confer before the hearing and submit a proposed disposition no later than the morning before the hearing. Also, all parties should allocate extra time for hearings conducted by video, as the process and procedure are new to all of the participants.

Adrienne W. Albrecht
Kankakee County Circuit Judge