

**TWENTY-THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT
FIRST DIVISION CIRCUIT COURT
LONOKE COUNTY**

Lonoke County Circuit Court, Division 1 is implementing precautions to prevent the spread of COVID-19 as recommended by the Center for Disease Control and Governor Asa Hutchinson:

1. All Civil and Domestic hearings will be continued until after April 16, rulings on pleadings and issuance of orders will continue as normal.
2. All Criminal matters, where the Defendant is not in custody, can be continued by submitting a Motion and proposed Order via e-flex.
3. All Criminal matters, where the Defendant is in custody, will be dealt with on a case by case basis. If your client is in custody, please:
 - a. Contact the assigned prosecutor and see if an agreement on bond, plea or other issue can be reached.
 - i. If an agreement is reached, please contact Deseria Blair by phone or email deseria.blair@arkansas.gov and let her know and the appropriate steps will be taken.
 - ii. If an agreement cannot be reached, please arrange a conference call and we will find a resolution.
4. Waiver of Arraignment will be accepted in writing, listing all of the pending charges, the next court appearance and signed by counsel and the defendant. Please call Deseria for a court date and a copy of this divisions wavier of arraignment.
5. If you have an issue on a case that needs immediate attention, contact opposing counsel and conference our office in.
6. On Dependency-Neglect matters Permanency Planning Hearing and Termination of Paternal Right hearings can be continued by motions and proposed orders filed via e-flex.
7. All Dependency-Neglect review hearings are cancelled until after April 16, 2020, The Court will reschedule the reviews in the future.
8. All Juvenile detention and Probable Cause hearing will be heard in a timely matter.