



ORLEANS PARISH JUVENILE COURT
STATE OF LOUISIANA

ORDER OF CLOSURE

PURSUANT to the provisions of R.S. 1:55, Ranord J. Darensburg, Judicial Administrator of the Orleans Parish Juvenile Court has requested the closure of the Sections of Court of the Orleans Parish Juvenile Court for the dates of Thursday, March 19 through April 2, 2020 due to exposure to COVID-19 (Coronavirus) resulting from contact with two individuals who have tested positive. The Judicial Administrator renders it hazardous for the general public and all court staff to conduct court proceedings.

Acting in accordance with LA. Const. Art. V., Subsection I and the inherent power of this Court, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

Due to exposure to the Coronavirus by two individuals in an area of the building used by the general public and staff, direct interactions of said individuals with court staff and lawyers in a small space; interaction of the staff and lawyers with other staff throughout the building; and uncertainties regarding the extent of impact of Coronavirus, the Sections of Court of Orleans Parish Juvenile Court, Parish of Orleans, State of Louisiana and the Orleans Parish Juvenile Clerk of Court's office shall be closed Thursday, March 19, 2020 through April 1, 2020 for court proceedings so that staff working in the section of court where direct exposure occurred will self-quarantine for 14 days and that other staff monitor themselves for any signs of the virus for the next 14 days. Court proceedings will resume Tuesday, April 2, 2020.

NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA this 18th day of March 2020.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "C. Bates Anderson", written over a horizontal line.

CANDICE BATES ANDERSON, CHIEF JUDGE