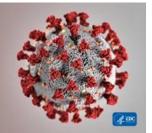
## **Updates on COVID-19 and Court Operations**

What justices, judges and circuit court clerks need to know



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## Update for March 13, 2020

Justices, Judges, Circuit Court Clerks and Kentucky Court of Justice Personnel:

## Supreme Court restricts court proceedings March 16-April 10 to observe social distancing

Judicial centers remain open but with restrictions on dockets, jury trials and jury service

As a follow-up to my email from yesterday evening, the Supreme Court has today entered an <u>amended order</u> restricting dockets, jury trials and jury service from March 16-April 10. The amendment clarifies the exceptions to in-person hearings found in section 1 of the order.

With public health officials urging social distancing as a way to mitigate the COVID-19 outbreak, we want to do our part to help slow the rate of infection so that our health care system is not overwhelmed by the pandemic. As we wade through uncharted territory over the next few weeks, expect additional updates and orders from the Supreme Court.

Please continue to email your questions to <u>covid19@kycourts.net</u> so that we can address your concerns. And you can find ongoing updates on the <u>COVID-19 and the Courts</u> webpage.

I'm grateful to all of you for the leadership and resourcefulness you've shown during this pandemic. I have never been more proud to be a part of the Kentucky Court of Justice family.

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