

ORDER APPROVING ALTERNATIVE FILING AND COURT APPEARANCES
DURING STATE OF EMERGENCY AND CIVIL UNREST.

WHEREAS: Currently, the City of Kenosha is experiencing civil unrest centered on the Kenosha County Courthouse. In order to protect the public, litigants, and staff the Kenosha County Courthouse has been closed on August 24, 25 and 26th.

WHEREAS: Local Law Enforcement has indicated that the unrest may continue for an extended period of time causing disruption of the normal activities of the Kenosha County Circuit Court and depriving citizens of valuable services and due process.

WHEREAS: Due to the Covid 19 pandemic, the Kenosha County Circuit Court has conducted hearings remotely via the Zoom app and providing for public seating through YouTube live streaming. Current Supreme Court Rules permit this type of proceedings.

WHEREAS: Kenosha County Circuit Court currently allows for efilings but is unable with the current conditions to accept filings at the Kenosha County Courthouse.

WHEREAS: Wisconsin Supreme Court Rule 70.32 provides that the Chief Judge may direct the operations of the Clerk of Circuit Court.

WHEREAS: The Kenosha County Circuit Court provides an essential function to the community by protecting the rights of it's citizens and providing justice to the community.

THEREFORE The Kenosha County Courthouse remains closed to the public until further order.

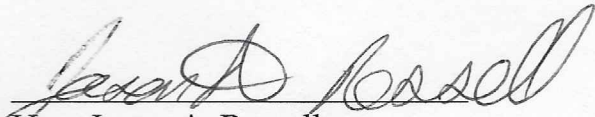
FURTHERMORE, The Kenosha County Circuit Courts will operate remotely via the Zoom app starting on Thursday, August 27, 2020 until further order.

FURTHERMORE In order to provide for a place to file pleadings in person, a drop box for filings for the Kenosha County Circuit Court will be located at the Kenosha County Job Center inside entrance D from 8 a.m until 5 p.m. until further order.

FURTHERMORE: This order shall remain in effect until further order by the

Supreme Court or the chief judge of this administrative district.

Dated this 26th day of August 2020

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Jason A. Rossell". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Hon. Jason A. Rossell
Chief Judge
2nd District