

IN THE MATTER OF
EXTENSION OF DEADLINES
AND HEARINGS IN CIVIL CASES

IN THE
CIRCUIT COURT
FOR
CARROLL COUNTY

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

WHEREAS, The Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals of Maryland issued an Administrative Order Extending The Length Of Statewide Judiciary Restricted Operations Due To The Covid-19 Emergency dated March 25, 2020 which provides, among other things, that Scheduling Orders issued in civil and family law matters shall be addressed by motion on a case-by-case basis by the administrative judge or his or her designee consistent with the Court's case management plan; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Maryland Rule 16-105, the County Administrative Judge is responsible for the administration of the circuit court, including supervision of the judges, officials, and employees of the court, implementation and enforcement of all administrative policies, rules, orders, and directives of the Court of Appeals, the Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals, the State Court Administrator, and the Circuit Administrative Judge of the judicial circuit, and performance of any other administrative duties necessary to the effective administration of the internal management of the court.

NOW THEREFORE, Pursuant to the authority vested in the undersigned Administrative Judge of this Court, and consistent with the aforementioned Administrative Order of the Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals of Maryland; it is hereby

ORDERED, effectively immediately, that:

1. Deadlines imposed in all Scheduling Orders in civil and family law matters in the Circuit Court for Carroll County shall be suspended and shall be extended by the number of business days that this Court is operating under restricted operations by order of the Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals of Maryland;
2. Civil Assignment is authorized to administratively postpone and re-set pretrial conferences and trial dates in civil and family law cases where either the pretrial conference or the trial date is currently scheduled for a date prior to May 4, 2020, or where the pretrial conference cannot practically be re-set prior to the trial date; and
3. Except as provided above, any requests for postponement of either the pretrial conference, trial date, or any other hearing date in civil and family law cases shall be presented to the Court by motion in accordance with the Court's postponement policy.

Date

March 27, 2020



FRED S. HECKER
Administrative Judge