



All Iowa Judicial Branch Clerk of Court offices remain open

A number of Iowa county board of supervisors have announced courthouse closings or a reduction of county office hours. These announcements do NOT pertain to the operations of the Iowa Judicial Branch. All 100 clerk of court offices remain open to the public during regular business hours to provide the services outlined in the [March 17, 2020, Iowa Supreme Court supervisory order](#).

Clerk of court offices and courtrooms are open for criminal and emergency cases that cannot be conducted by videoconference or telephone. In counties where the courthouse or county offices have closed or reduced hours, special arrangements may be required to enter the courthouse. If you need in-person access to a clerk of court office, please call the clerk of court office in advance of your visit if possible. Phone numbers are listed on the [Iowa Clerk of Court Directory](#).

Emergency matters that cannot be conducted by videoconference or telephone may include proceedings such as:

- substance abuse treatment proceedings
- hospitalization proceedings
- child removal proceedings
- elder abuse proceedings
- dependent adult proceedings
- protective orders
- motions to quash garnishments
- landlord tenant proceedings in which the tenant poses a clear and present danger

Information about the Iowa Supreme Court's response to coronavirus/COVID-19 and updates are posted on the Judicial Branch website [COVID-19 Information and Updates page](#).