

IN THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IOWA

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IN RE CLOSURE OF THE  
CEDAR COUNTY COURTHOUSE  
ON DECEMBER 22, 2023

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ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER  
NO. 2023-06

We have been informed the Cedar County Courthouse in Tipton, IA, Seventh Judicial District, will be closed all day on Friday, December 22, 2023. Therefore, the County will not be providing any security in the courthouse on that day. Having the Cedar County Clerk's office and any other court in the courthouse open to the public on that day enhances security risks for court personnel since there will be no security provided.

Pursuant to Iowa Code § 602.1211 and Iowa Court Rule 22.5, the chief judge has the responsibility for taking appropriate measures to ensure the safety and protection of court personnel in administering the affairs of the judicial district. Therefore, in order to ensure the safety and protection of our court personnel, all court offices in the Cedar County Courthouse in Tipton, Iowa shall be closed to the public all day on Friday December 22, 2023.

During the regular working hours in which the court offices are closed to the public on December 22, 2023, employees may choose to use vacation, earned compensatory time, take leave without pay, or come to work and work behind closed and lock doors.

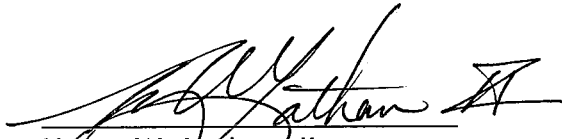
The Cedar County Clerk of Court shall provide public notice of this Order by posting a copy of it on the Clerk's office doors and on the doors to the court areas (district court and magistrate court). A copy of this Order shall be sent

to the Cedar County Bar Association for distribution to their membership; to Bob Gast, State Court Administrator; to Danny Davis, District Court Administrator; to H. David Triston, Assistant District Court Administrator; and to Heidi McDonough, Clerk of Court for Cedar County. The District Court Administrator shall also post a copy on the Judicial Branch website.

The original of this order shall be filed in the Scott County Clerk of Court's office. The Clerk shall provide a file-stamped copy to all other counties in the 7<sup>th</sup> Judicial District.

**IT IS SO ORDERED**

Dated: November 1, 2023



Henry W. Latham II  
Chief Judge  
Seventh Judicial District of Iowa