

TO: JBB Employees
FROM: Iowa Supreme Court
DATE: August 6, 2021
RE: *CDC Eviction Moratorium Issues*

On September 4, 2020, the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announced a moratorium on certain residential evictions. This moratorium was extended several times -- either by Congress or the CDC -- to July 31, 2021, when it expired.

On August 3, 2021, the CDC announced a new, modified moratorium on certain residential evictions. Although the Iowa Supreme Court issued a brief supervisory order in connection with the original moratorium, that order expired on July 31 along with the original moratorium. After careful consideration, the Iowa Supreme Court has decided not to issue a supervisory order relating to the new, modified moratorium. The court believes any guidance it could provide would be of limited value and could be superseded by other events.

The Iowa Supreme Court appreciates that judges and magistrates may have to decide issues relating to the new, modified moratorium. If that occurs, issues relating to the new, modified moratorium may come before this court on review, in which case this court will decide them.