

52<sup>ND</sup> DISTRICT COURT  
ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2002-20

UNSCHEDULED COURT CLOSING DUE TO WEATHER EMERGENCY  
Rescinds Administrative Order 1999-04

IT IS ORDERED:

The Local Administrative Order is issued pursuant to Michigan Supreme Court Administrative Order 1998-5 and after consultation with the Oakland County Executive to provide for procedures for suspension of court operations and closure of court facilities due to weather emergencies. It is the court's intent to ensure that decisions regarding suspension of court operations are consistent with decisions made regarding Oakland County operations to the extent possible without undue disruption of service to litigants.


IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Chief Judge of the 52<sup>nd</sup> District Court will consult with the Oakland County Executive to determine if a weather emergency will result in a decision to close the facility where the court is located. Court facilities will not close without the approval of the Oakland County Executive and the Chief Judge of the 52<sup>nd</sup> District Court.

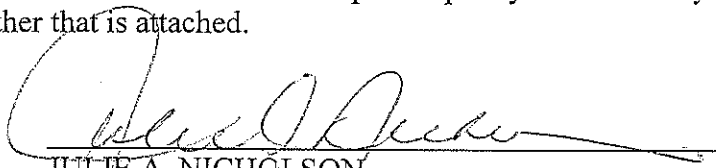
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the decision to close the court will be announced by the Chief Judge to court employees and local law enforcement by a means to reasonable assure notice.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that public notice will be made by posting a notice at all court entrances and providing announcement over local radio and/or television stations.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that if the County of Oakland declares a weather emergency and closes the facility where the court is located, court employees will charge time off in a manner consistent with the way the County of Oakland treats its employees for that closure.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the 52<sup>nd</sup> District Court adopts the policy of the County of Oakland regarding closure due to weather that is attached.

  
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JULIE A. NICHOLSON  
CHIEF JUDGE

May 23, 2002

Ms. Delores K. VanHorn  
Region I Administrator  
State Court Administrative Office  
P. O. Box 02984  
Detroit, Michigan 48202

Dear Ms. VanHorn:

Please find enclosed the 52<sup>nd</sup> District Court's Administrative Order 2002-20, entitled, *Unscheduled Court Closing Due to Weather Emergency*. This is being submitted to you for review and acceptance by the State Court Administrator's Office.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Very truly yours,

Lynda A. Hammerstein  
Court Administrator

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June 18, 2002

Hon. Julie A. Nicholson  
Chief Judge  
52<sup>nd</sup> District Court  
135 Barclay Circle  
Rochester Hills, MI 48307-5800

Re: Administrative Order 2002-20  
Unscheduled Court Closing Due to Weather Emergency  
Rescinds: 1999-04

Dear Judge Nicholson:

This is to advise that we have reviewed the above referenced Administrative Order and find that it conforms with the requirements of MCR 8.112(B). This order is being accepted and filed until advised by your court of any change.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James L. Covault".

James L. Covault, Director  
Trial Court Services

JLC/dmm

cc: Delores K. Van Horn, Region 1  
Ms. Lynda A. Hammerstein