IN THE
SUPREME COURT OF ILLINOIS

In re: Illinois Courts Response to COVID-19 Emergency/ Remote Service of Process or Personal Service of Protective Orders	)	M.R. 30370

Order

In the exercise of the general administrative and supervisory authority over the courts of Illinois conferred on this Court pursuant to article VI, section 16, of the Illinois Constitution of 1970 (Ill. Const. 1970, art.VI, sec.16), and in view of the outbreak of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19);

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, effective immediately and until further order of the Court;

A. *Service of process of protective orders in any court proceeding.* Where respondent in a protective order case (defined as a proceeding arising under the Illinois Domestic Violence Act (750 ILCS 60), Code of Criminal Procedure (725 ILCS 5/112A), Civil No Contact Order Act (740 ILCS 22), or Stalking No Contact Order Act (740 ILCS 21)) appears in *any* court proceeding by telephone or video conference, respondent shall be considered personally served and no further service of process shall be required, provided the operative terms of the protective order are read to respondent in open court during the remote court appearance. Consistent with 750 ILCS 60/222.10, the operative terms are:

(1) The respondent's name.
(2) The respondent's date of birth, if known.
(3) The petitioner's name.
(4) The names of other protected parties.
(5) The date and county in which the order of protection was filed.
(6) The court file number.
(7) The hearing date and time, if known.
(8) The conditions that apply to the respondent.

The Clerk of the Circuit Court is directed to update the record to reflect service on respondent in open court immediately after the court appearance.

B. *Service of orders in protective order proceedings.* Where respondent appears in court by telephone or video conference in a protective order case, respondent shall be considered "present in court when the order was issued" for purposes of 750 ILCS 60/222(c), 725 ILCS 5/112A-5.5(c) and 22(c), 740 ILCS 22/218(c), and 740 ILCS 21/115(c) and no further personal service of the order shall be required, provided the operative terms of the order are read to respondent in open court during the remote court appearance.

The Clerk of the Circuit Court is directed to stamp, or otherwise mark, the order to reflect respondent having been personally served in open court. The court shall direct the Clerk to send a copy of the order to respondent or their counsel of record via e-mail, regular mail, or personal delivery immediately after the court appearance. Failure to complete service via e-mail, regular mail, or personal delivery does not invalidate personal service on respondent in open court.

Order entered by the Court.

SEAL OF THE SUPREME COURT
STATE OF ILLINOIS
AUG. 26, 1818

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have set my hand and affixed the seal of said Supreme Court, in Springfield, in said State, this 27th day of October, 2020.

Carolyn Taft Grosboll Clerk,
Supreme Court of the State of Illinois