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IN THE CITY OF CHICAGO, ILLINOIS
DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

GENERAL ORDER NO. 20 -3

WHEREAS, Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) is a respiratory illness that can spread from person to person.

WHEREAS, in response to the Coronavirus disease, the City of Chicago has implemented the "Protecting Chicago" reopening framework, establishing guidelines for the resumption of activities, while protecting the public health.

WHEREAS, the Central Hearing Facility at 400 West Superior and the neighborhood facilities at 4445 North Pulaski and 2006 E. 95th Street conduct in person hearings which often result in large groups of people gathering in confined spaces.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Department of Administrative Hearings will gradually resume hearing cases in person, while maintaining maximum building occupancy limits and social distancing guidelines, as determined by public health officials. A list of cases currently being heard in person will be posted and updated at the Department's website:

<https://www.chicago.gov/city/en/depts/ah.html>

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that all visitors to Department of Administrative Hearings locations will be required to wear cloth face coverings, maintain social distancing guidelines and submit to a temperature check while inside the hearing facility.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that beginning August 1, 2020, the Department of Administrative Hearings may take adverse action against Respondents who do not appear on their assigned court dates for cases designated for hearing resumption on the Department's website:

<https://www.chicago.gov/city/en/depts/ah.html>

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that cases not designated as being currently heard in person on the Department's website will be continued by the court. Continuance orders detailing new court dates will be mailed to Respondents.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Respondents who have previously been found in default will be allowed to file a Motion to Set Aside Default via email at AH-MTSA@cityofchicago.org. A link to this email is provided at the Department's website, listed above.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that appropriate and adequate notice shall be given to all parties of new hearing dates, times and locations where applicable.

This order supersedes General Order 20-2 and shall remain in effect, unless superseded by subsequent General Order of the Chief Administrative Law Judge.

ENTERED:

Patricia Jackowski 7.31.2020
Chief Administrative Law Judge July 31, 2020