

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
LASALLE, BUREAU, AND GRUNDY COUNTIES

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
NO. 24-50

ORDER ALLOWING COUNTIES WITHIN THE THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT TO
USE TWO-WAY AUDIO-VISUAL COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS TO CONDUCT
PRETRIAL DETENTION HEARINGS OR SET PRETRIAL RELEASE CONDITIONS

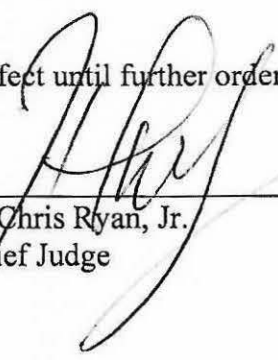
Pursuant to Illinois Supreme Court M.R. 31888 (filed August 30, 2023, as amended March 18, 2024, and as amended September 27, 2024), the counties of the Thirteenth Judicial Circuit, due to continuing operational challenges (which include staffing shortages, transportation, logistical and security issues related to pretrial detention hearings and the process for setting pretrial release conditions), are hereby authorized to conduct pretrial detention hearings and hearings to set pretrial release conditions within their respective jurisdictions via two-way audio-visual communication systems at the judge's discretion.

Said pretrial detention and pretrial release conditions hearings shall be conducted in such a manner as to allow the defendant to communicate privately with defense counsel as needed. Additionally, the hearing shall be conducted in a manner to allow any victims of the criminal act alleged in the proceeding, family members of the defendant or victim or the public to have the opportunity to view such proceedings, either remotely or in person.

A record of all pretrial detention hearings or hearings regarding pretrial release shall be made as provided under Illinois Supreme Court Rule 46.

This order is effective upon entry and shall remain in effect until further order of this Court.

Entered: 10/15/24



H. Chris Ryan, Jr.
Chief Judge

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All Judges of the Thirteenth Judicial Circuit