

Civil District Court for the Parish of Orleans

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CIVIL DISTRICT COURT FOR THE PARISH OF ORLEANS AND FIRST AND SECOND CITY COURT ISSUE 3 NEW ORDERS IN RESPONSE TO HURRICANE IDA

September 1, 2021 – Today Chief Judge Bernadette D’Souza, acting under the authority of Article V, Section I of the Constitution of 1974, and the inherent power of the Court, and considering the devastation caused by Hurricane Ida, including road closures, damage due to high winds, and flooding and the loss of power, for the safety of the public and court staff, issued a third order addressing the closure of the Orleans Civil District Court for the Parish of Orleans and the First and Second City Courts. The order reads in pertinent part as follows:

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

Civil District Court for the Parish of Orleans, First City Court, and Second City Court, and the Clerk of Civil District Court extend the previous closure order closing the court through Sunday, September 19, 2021. The Court will resume normal operations on Monday, September 20, 2021.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED THAT:

Cases scheduled to be heard during the closure are hereby continued without a date, and will be rescheduled as soon as possible. If conditions indicate that the Court needs to adjust this order, notice will be posted on the Court’s website (<https://www.orleanscivildistrictcourt.org/>) the Louisiana Supreme Court website (www.lasc.org) and in the news media.

During this closure, the Court will continue to handle emergency matters as necessary. For emergency pleadings, the Clerk of Civil District Court’s Office can be contacted at cdcclerk@gmail.com. The email should contain a valid phone number where the party can be reached for additional communication with the Clerk's Office. Once the email is received, further instructions regarding the next steps will be provided by a Clerk's Office Deputy Clerk.