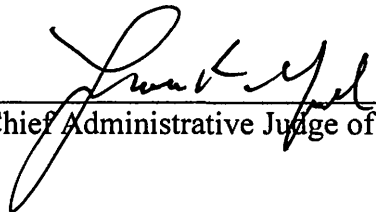


ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER OF THE  
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE OF THE COURTS

Pursuant to the authority vested in me, at the direction of the Chief Judge, and consistent with the Governor's determination approving the easing of restrictions on commerce imposed due to the COVID-19 health emergency, I hereby direct that, notwithstanding the terms of any prior administrative order:

1. In the counties and on the dates set forth in Exh. A, in courts and case types approved for electronic filing through the New York State Courts Electronic Filing System (NYSCEF), represented parties must commence new matters or proceed in pending matters exclusively by electronic filing through NYSCEF. Following commencement, represented parties must file and serve papers in such matters (other than service of commencement documents) by electronic means through NYSCEF or, where permitted under NYSCEF court rules, by mail. Notwithstanding the foregoing, unrepresented parties may file, serve and be served in such matters by non-electronic means.
2. To the extent that NYSCEF electronic filing is unavailable in courts or case types in the counties set forth in Exh. A, represented parties must commence new matters exclusively by mail. Following commencement of a new matter, and in pending matters, represented parties must file papers through the Unified Court System's Electronic Document Delivery System (EDDS) or by mail, and must serve papers (other than commencement documents) by electronic means or by mail. Notwithstanding the foregoing, unrepresented parties may file, serve and be served in such matters by non-electronic means.
3. In the counties and on the date set forth in Exh. B, in courts and case types approved for electronic filing through NYSCEF, represented parties must commence new matters or proceed in pending matters exclusively by electronic filing through NYSCEF. Represented parties must file and serve papers in such matters (other than service of commencement documents) by electronic means through NYSCEF. Notwithstanding the foregoing, unrepresented parties may file, serve and be served in such matters by non-electronic means.

This order shall not affect procedures for the filing and service of essential matters, and supersedes AO/111/2020.

  
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Chief Administrative Judge of the Courts

Dated: May 20, 2020

AO/114/20

## **Exhibit A**

<b>Region: Counties</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>
<p>Finger Lakes: Orleans, Monroe, Wayne, Genesee, Wyoming, Livingston, Ontario, Yates, and Seneca.</p> <p>Mohawk Valley: Herkimer, Oneida, Otsego, Fulton, Montgomery, and Schoharie.</p> <p>Southern Tier: Steuben, Schuyler, Chemung, Tompkins, Tioga, Broome, Chenango, and Delaware.</p>	May 18, 2020
<p>North Country: Clinton, Franklin, St. Lawrence, Jefferson, Lewis, Hamilton, and Essex.</p> <p>Central New York: Oswego, Cayuga, Cortland, Onondaga, and Madison.</p>	May 20, 2020
<p>Western New York: Allegany, Cattaraugus, Chautauqua, Erie, and Niagara.</p>	May 21, 2020
<p>Capital Region: Albany, Columbia, Greene, Rensselaer, Saratoga, Schenectady, Warren, and Washington.</p>	May 26, 2020

## **Exhibit B**

<b>Region: Counties</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>
Mid-Hudson: Dutchess, Orange, Putnam, Rockland, Sullivan, Ulster, and Westchester  New York City: New York, Bronx, Queens, Kings, and Richmond.  Long Island: Nassau and Suffolk.	May 25, 2020