

DISTRICT COURTS amidst COVID-19 for The Willow's 3-County Service Area:

The Kansas Supreme Court has ordered that District Courts are to cease all business except for emergency operations until further order. **Emergency operations mainly include: Temporary Protection From Abuse and Stalking Orders, First Appearances/Bond Hearings after an arrest, some Juvenile Detention and Child In Need of Care Hearings, Care and Treatment Commitments, Orders of Isolation or Quarantine, plus other miscellaneous operations.** Additionally, all Probation/Court Services appointments are to occur by telephone only.

Logistics information can be found below for people who wish to seek a Protection Order from the District Courts served by us in Douglas, Franklin, & Jefferson Counties. Please contact our 24 hour hotline for further details or to connect with a local Court Advocate: 785.843.3333

DOUGLAS COUNTY DISTRICT COURT @ 111 E. 11th St. in Lawrence will remain open, but with *restricted access -- any person who comes to the building should expect screening questions before further entry may be allowed (or denied) by Court Security.

- *Protection Orders may still be filed at the Clerk's Office: 8-12 & 1-4 M-F**
- *If building entry is denied, you can call us to get help turning it in ASAP!**

FRANKLIN COUNTY DISTRICT COURT @ 301 S. Main Street in Ottawa is officially closed to the public -- no one will be allowed entry to the building until further notice.

- *Protection Orders may *only be filed by Fax -OR- via the Sheriff's Office**
- *Faxed forms can be sent to the Clerk's Office @ 785.242.5970 -OR-**
- *Hand delivered to the Sheriff's Office, who will fax it to the Court**
- *NOTE: the UCCJEA form, if applicable, must be notarized before faxing**

JEFFERSON COUNTY DISTRICT COURT @ 300 Jefferson Street in Oskaloosa is officially closed to the public -- no one will be allowed entry until further notice.

- *Protection Orders may *only be filed through the local Sheriff's Office:**
- *Assistance with forms and faxing it to the Court for review is available by calling (785) 863-2351 or going to 1360 Walnut Street**